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POTERVILLE TO PLAY HOST AT ANNUAL HOMECOMING CELEBRATION



MAN UNDER the derby hat is Ed. Jones, of Porterville, seated behind the wheel of his 1913 Speedster. Although old timers may remember cars like this, the above afternoon of speed-burning old car photo was actually taken in August contests on Main street. For other photos.



HOMECOMING QUEEN
BETTY ANN MUEHLENBRUCH

JOB'S DAUGHTER DINNER SET FOR NOVEMBER 17

POTERVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — An enchilada dinner will be served by Porterville Job's Daughters from 5:30 p.m. on, at the Masonic Temple the evening of November 17.

Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. John Baker, phone SU 4-2545, or Mrs. Raymond Williever, phone SU 4-4086.

PIONEERS TO LEAD PARADE

POTERVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 —

Two pioneers of the Porterville community will ride as grand marshals of the 1956 Porterville Homecoming parade next Monday — Louis Gill and John Wilcox. They will lead a parade that promises to be the largest and most colorful in history of the veterans' celebration. It will start at 10 a.m., November 12.

The new section of highway will join up with a stretch of highway now under construction between Ice Creek and Horse Canyon, which will provide a continuous road from Quaking Aspen to California Hot Springs.

The project, which has long been endorsed by the Tulare County Chamber of Commerce, was begun prior to the war when a portion of the road was completed between Bone Creek and Ice Creek to facilitate logging operations.

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Parade, Football, Carnival Pioneer Reunion, Bargain Days Dances Slated For Weekend Event

POTERVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — A three-day, weekend celebration will feature the 1956 version of Porterville's annual Veterans' Homecoming, with the "big day" scheduled for Monday, November 12.

Tieing in with this year's celebration are Porterville merchants, who are offering Homecoming bargain days in Porterville stores today, Friday and Saturday.

In connection with Bargain days, and the general celebration, street entertainment will be presented each afternoon and evening from today through Saturday; a street dance is slated for 9 p.m., Saturday; a carnival, with local organizations operating concessions opens today at the Porterville fair grounds for a five-day and night run.

A new feature this year will be a steer roping contest and western show at the Rocky hill arena Monday afternoon, starting at 2 p.m.

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College Pirates Face Allen Hancock In Homecoming Football Game At College Stadium Next Monday

POTERVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — The Porterville College Pirates, bruised but not disheartened after successive defeats by Coalinga, Fresno and Taft in the CCJCAA league, will host the Allan Hancock College Bulldogs from Santa Maria in the annual Veterans' Day Homecoming game to be played at 2 p.m., Monday, Nov. 12.

Coach Sid Hall said that although several key players have

been lost for the remainder of the season through injuries, the Pirates still are expected to be in better physical shape than they were for the Taft game, when the defending conference champions took a 27-6 decision.

Bob Stafford, outstanding freshman end and tackle from Madera, and Nylon Scott, speedy fullback from Corcoran, both are out for the remainder of the season as a result of injuries, Hall said. However guards Tom Mullican and Henry Balangue, who missed the Taft game, are back in suits and may see some action. Jim Baxley, sophomore fullback, couldn't suit up for the Taft game but may be able to play against Hancock.

The Hancock team, which is playing its first season of football after a lapse of several years, has one victory on its record this season, that a 27-20 win over Santa Barbara JC last weekend. The Bulldogs also held Reedley to a 7-7 tie, and lost close decisions to Pierce and San Jose. The team has shown remarkable improvement since the first of the season, Hall noted, when both Coalinga and Taft scored easy wins.

Porterville, which has fourth place cinched in the CCJCAA race, will end its season November 17 against Snow College of Utah at College Stadium.

Camp Fire Girls Selling Peanuts

POTERVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — Porterville area Camp Fire Girls opened their annual sale of peanuts today to finance the year's operation of this youth organization.

MEMORIAL SERVICE SUNDAY

POTERVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — Patriotic religious memorial service will be held Sunday, November 11, at 8 p.m. in the First Christian church under direction of the Porterville Ministers' association.

The service, being held in connection with Porterville's annual Veterans' Homecoming, is "in honor of all members of the armed services, living or dead, who have, or are now serving, their country, especially the members of American Legion Post 20, and the Legion Auxiliary, and Mt. Whitney Post No. 2001, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the VFW Auxiliary."

Participating in the services will be the Rev. R. Kjeldahl, the Rev. Ellis E. Peterson, the Rev. Bill F. Anderson, the Rev. J. Wilmer Lambert, the Rev. Roger W. Thomas, (Continued on Page 10)

CLOUD SEEDING PROGRAM FAILS TO GET MONEY

POTERVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — With the failure of farmers and ranchers of Tulare and Kern counties to contribute in sufficient number and amount to the local non-profit cloud-seeding project, the future of the Southern Sierra corporation seem in precarious position.

Discussion of this, together with the December 1 registration of Meteorologist Walter Floyd Jones as the corporation's cloud seeding

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CLASS OF '26 REUNION SUNDAY

POTERVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — Porterville high school class of 1926 will hold a 30-year reunion Sunday in connection with the annual community Homecoming celebration, with registration at 2 p.m. at the Porterville high school cafeteria and a banquet at 7 p.m. General chairmen are George Overcash and Kyle Lawrence; Helen Welles is secretary and Anita Richards, treasurer; master of ceremonies at the banquet will be Supervisor Rodgers L. Moore.

EXCHANGE MEET NEXT TUESDAY

POTERVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — Annual dinner meeting of the Tulare County Fruit Exchange will be held at the First Congregational church in Porterville next Tuesday evening, at 7 o'clock.

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Caldwell, Ray Lee Springmeyer, Ted Bailey, John Braz, Dale Jones, Bill Putnam, Max Upshaw, Larry Chandler, Bob Askins, Jim Baxley, Bob Salyers and Coach M. D. Reitz; bottom row: Head Coach Sid Hall, George Stametz, Bob

Hill, Nylon Scott, Gene Campagnola, Ronnie Dilday, Harold Braly, Bob Aguilar, Warren Shaffer, Bruce Fife, Les Kalender, Matt Encines and Manager George Belt. (Edwards Studio photo)

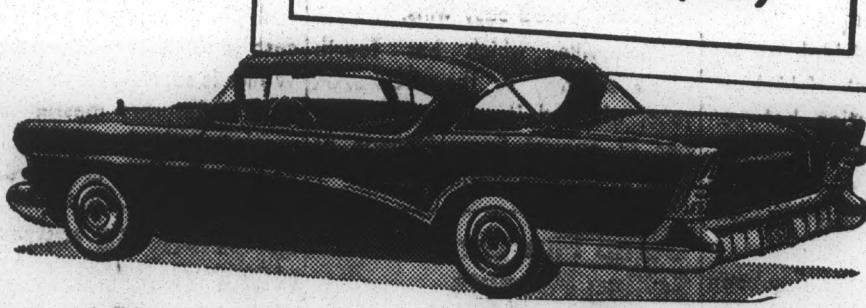
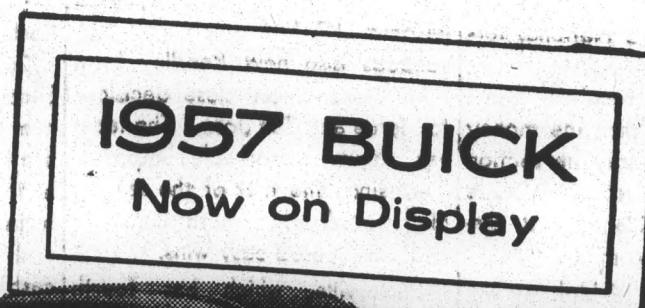
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PORTEVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — Elected in the 1956 general election Tuesday were:

Dwight D. Eisenhower, president of the United States.

Richard M. Nixon, vice president.

Thomas H. Kuchel, U.S. Senator. Harlan Hagen, 14th district congressman.

Myron Frew, 35th district assemblyman.

Democrats retained control of the U.S. Senate and House, in spite of a landslide victory for Republicans Eisenhower and Nixon.

**POWER THANKS
VOTERS WHO
SUPPORTED HIM**

LINDSAY, Nov. 7, 1956 — Assemblyman Domer F. Power today extended his thanks to the voters of Tulare and Kings counties who supported him in the Tuesday general election, and also sent a congratulatory message to his successful opponent, Myron Frew.

Assemblyman Power further said that as the elected assemblyman of the 35th district, he will continue to serve through the interim period, until the first of the year.

"I will continue to attend necessary state meetings and take care of the business of my office," Assemblyman Power said. "If I can be of service to anyone in the district, please phone Lindsay, 8-7381."

Assemblyman Power, who was elected at a special election last June to fill the unexpired term of the late Roscoe Patterson, lost the November 6 election by virtue of a heavy Frew vote in Kings county.

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Jeffries Defeats Corbett By Knockout In Twenty-Second Round Ex-Champion Surprises Spectators

SEASIDE CLUB, Coney Island, New York — May 17, 1900 — In the fastest, prettiest and closest heavyweight ring battle ever fought in New York, Jim Jeffries has reaffirmed his right to the championship.

He decisively defeated Jim Corbett, once champion of the world himself, after 22 rounds of scientific fighting. It was a clean knockout that came so quickly that it dazed the thousands of keen, alert, intent spectators.

Corbett emerged from a year's retirement from the ring, rejuvenated and fresh. He was fast and clever, as back in the days when people marveled at his skill. At times he made the massive Jeffries look like a beginner; Corbett's defeat was regretted by the vast majority of the men who filled the hall.

The small army of police present was taskless, and the contestants themselves neither wrangled nor quarreled throughout the evening.

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After the fight Corbett said, "What's the use of talking now. I lost and although I don't know how it happened, I guess it was all right. I fought my best and felt good until the punch came that ended my aspirations for the time being. I think I proved myself not altogether a dead one."

Jeffries was very reticent. He said, "Corbett gave me the best fight of my career and was really a surprise. I thought I should have whipped him sooner. At no time did I feel doubtful of the result, for I knew I would eventually land the blow that I had been looking for all along."

YOSEMITE STAGE IS HELD UP

VISALIA, June 7, 1900 — Three Yosemite stages were held up at 11 o'clock this morning at Grub Gulch. Troop F, Sixth Cavalry, was nearby, and immediately started in pursuit of the robbers with 60 men.

JOHN GILLIGAN RAISING SHEEP

VISALIA, Jan. 4, 1900 — John Gilligan, of Woodville, is in town today on jury duty. Mr. Gilligan settled just south of Woodville in 1871 and engaged in sheep raising and has continued in the business. He raised 800 lambs this season and has sold 500 of them at \$2.35 a head. He still lives on the same land he settled.

BIG THINGS EXPECTED FROM MINNIE-ELLEN

PORTERVILLE, Feb. 22, 1900 — F. M. Cook and T. A. Howeth are working steadily on the Minnie-Ellen mine. They are getting out good rock and are now negotiating for a two-stamp mill, which they expect to have in position next week.

The rock is very easily handled and assays \$17.00 a ton. When

they have their mill in running order, they expect to clear from five hundred to one thousand dollars a month.

BRYAN, STEVENSON ARE NOMINATED

KANSAS CITY, July 12, 1900 — William Jennings Bryan has been nominated for president of the United States, and Adlai Stevenson for vice president at the Democrat convention here.

COUNTY MEN TO ALASKA

DUTCH HARBOR, May 30, 1900 — Aboard the S. S. Zealandia when it arrived here today were James Howell, John Templeton, D. Graham and Q. H. Johnson, of Porterville; Scott Ballagh of Plano; J. H. Cochran, of Woodville; Jo P. Carroll, of Tulare and Miss Johanna Olsen, a nurse, formerly of Visalia.

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MILO, July 26, 1900 — This valley is enjoying prosperity. Times are good. Three saw mills are buzzing. Coburn's box factory at Springville is running long hours and turning out orange and lemon boxes, furniture and wooden wares of various kinds.

The steam wagon is doing fine work and takes out over 100,000 feet of lumber a week to Roth Spur. Teams bring the lumber to Springville and the steam wagon

loads there. Three men are required to run the wagon, and a load is something over 30,000 feet; three trips a week are made.

A large number of campers have passed up the Tule this season, going to the various resorts and fishing grounds beyond here.

Springville has had its quota of health seekers, the soda water there being used by persons variously afflicted. A number of persons have spoken highly of benefits from its use.

R. G. Williams is rigging out to haul lumber in big shape, and before the season ends, every other team you meet will belong to Williams.

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Milo is becoming a vicinity where nice homes are the rule. The



STEAM POWER was an important item in the early days of the Porterville community; shown above is a mobile wood-fired steam engine that might have been used as a source of power for well-drilling, a stationery thrasher, a pump, or for any other type of power-driven machinery. The above rig was working in the vicinity of the city of Porterville as indicated by the gap in the mountains, extreme right. We have no other information on the picture, other than that it was taken by Ed Zalud in 1893. (Photo courtesy of Miss Pearle Zalud.)

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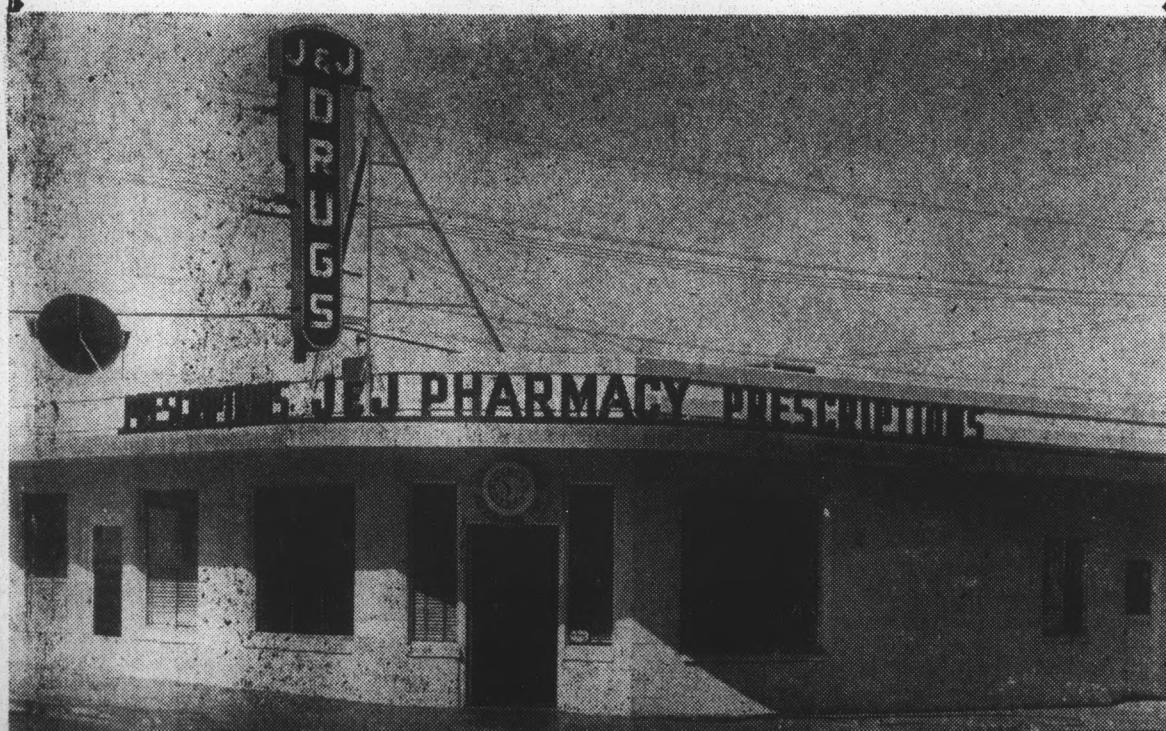
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John A. Howell Is Candidate

POTTERVILLE, July 19, 1900 — John A. Howell has announced himself as a candidate for supervisor in District No. 1, subject to the decision of the Democrat convention. Mr. Howell has been a resident of this community since 1873, is a good business man and is familiar with needs of the district.

450,000th Prescription From Claubes

POTTERVILLE, Nov. 5, 1956 — The 450,000th new prescription was issued today from Claubes Pharmacy, one of Porterville's pioneer drug stores.

Receiving the prescription was Louis Gill, also a pioneer of the community, who will serve as grand marshall of the Homecoming parade, Monday.

In keeping with the occasion, the prescription was given to Mr. Gill without charge, plus a bottle of fine perfume for Mrs. Gill.

Americanization Class Opened

POTTERVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — A class in English for Americanization will meet from 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays at the Doyle Colony school, under direction of the Porterville evening college. Instructor is Mrs. Virginia Perry.

Olive Spray Recommended

VISALIA, Nov. 8, 1956 — Olive groves troubled with leaf drop caused by the peacock spot fungus this past spring should be sprayed with Bordeaux mixture as soon as the crop is harvested, according to Farm Advisor Karl Opitz.

GOLD FOUND AT VENICE HILL

VISALIA, July 8, 1900 — Louis Lucifer, who has purchased 40 acres of land embracing part of Venice hill east of here, says he has found gold there in paying quantities, as well as copper.

HERE'S A FISH STORY

VISALIA, Sept. 9, 1897 — Supervisor Ellis and family returned last week from their trip to the mountains. Mr. Ellis and party caught 2,600 trout and killed a number of deer while gone.

4-H Achievement Meeting Saturday Set For Visalia

VISALIA, Nov. 8, 1956 — Tulare County 1956 4-H All Stars will be announced at county-wide 4-H achievement meeting to be held Saturday evening at 8 o'clock at the Sierra Vista auditorium in Visalia, and Jose Cugat, International Farm Youth Exchangee from Spain, will speak and show pictures.

National award winner medals will be presented, also junior leader pins and certificates, club trophies, cap emblems for 1956 Silver stars, pins to 1956 county All-Stars and leader pins and certificates marking five, 10 and 15 years of 4-H service.

DIAL M FOR MURDER

POTTERVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — "Dial M For Murder" will open the evening of November 16 at the Porterville Barn theater for a run of three weekend, with Al Soares and Nina McCullough starred. In featured roles are: Jack Null, Stan Yates, Earl Rodgers and Dan Lublin.

Pixley Has Good Liquor Control

PIXLEY, Jan. 5, 1900 — This station on the Southern Pacific railroad has the most effective liquor law in California. The county ordinance in reference to retail liquor licenses provides that the petition to the board of supervisors for a license shall be signed by seven freeholders within a half mile of the town where the saloon is to be opened. A party who desires a liquor license found that there are not seven freeholders within seven miles of Pixley, so no license.

HORSES PURCHASED FOR GERMANY

POTTERVILLE, Aug. 9, 1900 — One thousand horses are being purchased for the German government, mostly broncs, and they are being broken at Baden, near San Francisco. Buyers are now looking for horses in Tulare and Kings counties, and people driving good-looking horses are being stopped and made offers that vary from \$40, up.

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PIONEERS OF the Elks lodge were honored Monday evening at annual "roll call" night for Porterville Elks when C. H. Weed, a past exalted ruler, left, was presented a 50-year membership pin by Fay Lewis, of Anaheim, a past grand exalted ruler. Center photo shows Gordon Howden, of Bakersfield, a past exalted ruler, left, was presented a 45-year pin to Webb Loyd.

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NAVY RESERVE PROGRAM OPEN

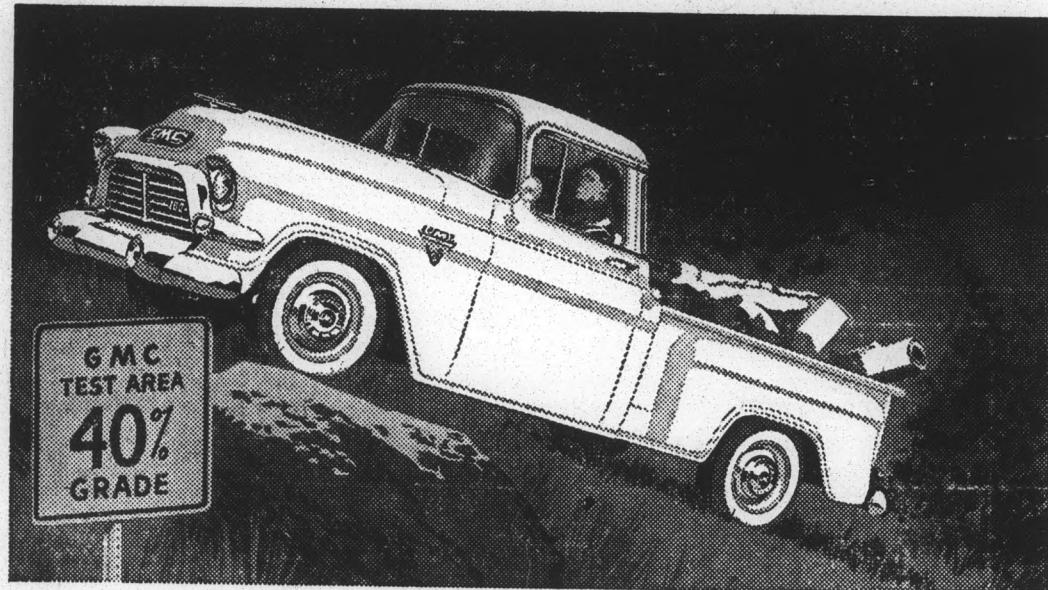
PORTEVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — High school seniors and graduates have until November 17 to apply for the U.S. Navy's Reserve Offi-

cer Training corps program. Application forms are available at high schools, colleges, Navy recruiting stations or from the Chief of Naval Personnel, Washington 25, D. C.

PORTEVILLE, Feb. 8, 1907 — Marion Crabtree, who has been visiting his folks in Porterville and friends at Poplar for several days, left for Fresno to finish his studies in a business college there.

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Water Again in Tulare Lake

HANFORD, Aug. 16, 1900 — The lake, which was thought a few months ago was gone forever, is in existence once more. The river has been emptying into the lake bottom for the past three or four weeks, until now there is a body of water about seven miles long by three or four miles wide, which is at present still rising.

Democrat Club At Woodville

WOODVILLE, Aug. 9, 1900 — A Democrat club has been organized here, with 25 voters signing the roll. Officers are: Henry Hasker, president; James Riley and N. A. Whitmer, vice president; J. W. Martin, secretary, and M. Gilligan, treasurer.

Record Deer Kill In State

SACRAMENTO, Nov. 8, 1956 — A state-wide deer kill of 100,000 is indicated for the season just closed, according to the state department of fish and game. Previous record kill was 75,602 in 1954.

TWO GRADUATES FROM HIGH SCHOOL

PORTEVILLE, May 31, 1900 — High school commencement exercises will be held this evening. There are only two graduates, Louise Flanders and Hussall Cockran.

BURTON SCHOOL READY TO OPEN

PORTEVILLE, Sept. 9, 1897 — The Burton district school will open Monday, September 13, with Miss Zona Williams, of Visalia, as teacher. The schoolhouse has been completely renovated and repaired.

Buswell Ships Lemons To Manila

PORTEVILLE, Jan. 25, 1900 — C. W. Buswell has commenced shipping lemons to Manila, and will possibly ship his entire crop. He shipped 25 boxes from San Francisco last Saturday and will ship 75 more this Saturday. He is using special boxes.

Oil Claims At Milo

MILLO, July 19, 1900 — The oil excitement still rages above Milo, several claims having been located. Since it was first mentioned a good many people have noticed the outcroppings in the springs, but did not know what it was. We are as apt to find oil here as anywhere.

School Enrollments Show Increase

PORTEVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — Enrollment figures at Porterville high school and Porterville college continue to show increases over last year. At the end of October, the high school had 1,972 students, compared to 1,951 last year; the college had 353 students, compared to 310 last year.

School Districts May Be United

POPLAR, April 26, 1900 — There is strong talk of making an effort to combine the Rockford and Pleasant View school districts and have buildings located near Co-operative hall. Both schools are too large for one teacher to do justice by.

GOLD BROUGHT FROM ECLIPSE

PORTEVILLE, July 5, 1900 — Nelson Hallock was down from White River Tuesday and brought about \$500 worth of bullion. Mr. Halleck is working the Eclipse mine, where he has sunk a shaft 65 feet. He has taken out over \$1,900.

Wells Are Only Hope For Low Land

POPLAR, Mar. 8, 1900 — Only hope for the Woodville and Poplar districts is to sink more wells, for as the valleys of the upper Tule get set to orange groves, more water finds its way into the lower ditches.

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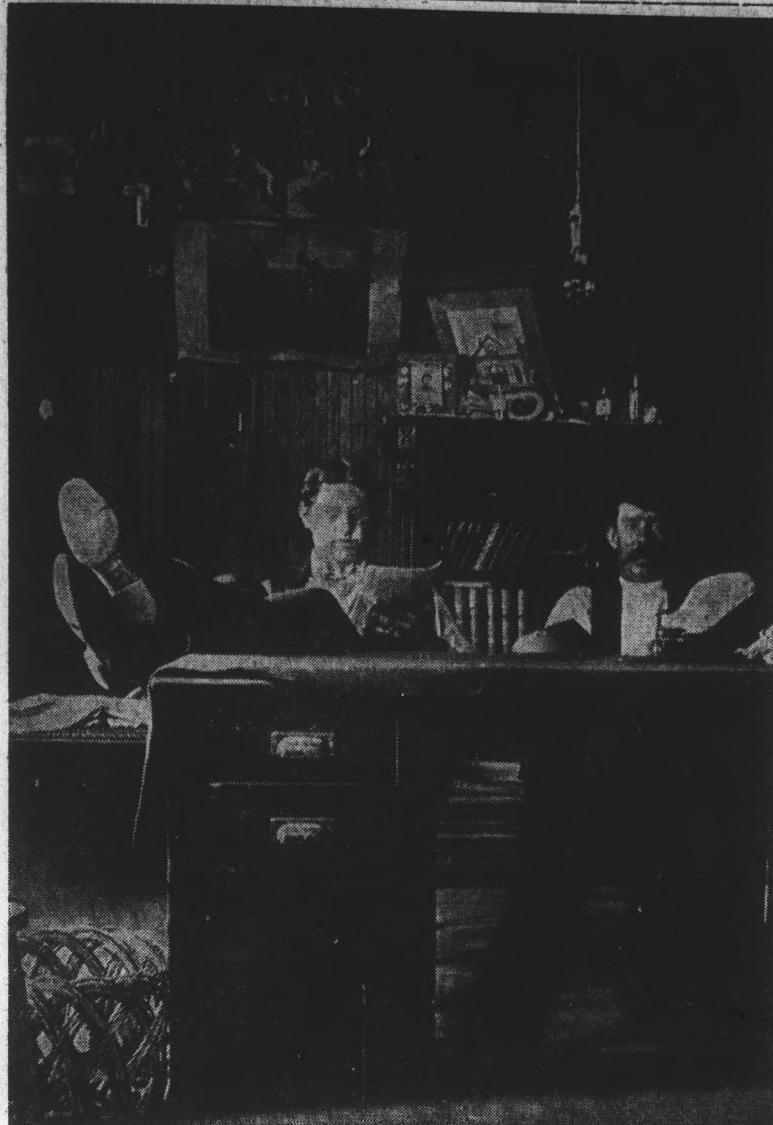
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ABOVE PHOTO was taken by Ed. Zalud in 1897, upstairs in the old Porterville Fire department building that was formerly located at present site of the Porterville city hall. Tentatively identified is Will Gardner, left; man on the right is not identified — if you know him, please send us his name. The table, in the photo, which has an inlaid top and which is believed to have been made by one of the James boys, is still in the basement of the Porterville fire department building, also the bookcase in the rear.

Frosted Silage Needs Quick Care

VISALIA, Nov. 8, 1956 — Silage plants that have been frosted should be made into ensilage as soon as possible, warns Farm Advisor Wilson E. Pendery, pointing out that frosted plants lose moisture rapidly.

SCHUYLER BARBER BECOMES A DOCTOR

POTERVILLE, Feb. 22, 1900 — Dr. Schuyler Barber is the first Porterville boy who has worked himself up to be the proud possessor of a physician's diploma, and everybody in the citrus belt wishes him well.

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DILLONWOOD LUMBER COMPANY FORMED: TRACTION ENGINE GOES OVER GRADE

HANFORD, May 24, 1900 — The Dillonwood Lumber company has been organized here to operate the Dillon mill on Upper Tule river. The company has secured control of 1,000 acres of "good" timber land near the old Dillon mill.

The incorporators are: J. W. Young, A. J. Young, E. E. Young, E. T. Cosper and J. O. Hickman. The company expects to get the mill in operation by June 30, and will also manufacture shales and shingles.

May 31 — The Enterprise Lumber company on upper Tule river, now trying to operate a common traction engine on the grade where the Youngs had a steam wagon last year, are reported to be

MORE ACTION LESS TALK URGED

VISALIA, June 1, 1888 — Another railroad has been surveyed from Stockton to Visalia, and the parties doing the survey work say that the road will be built as "sure as the sun rises", and that work will commence on the Stockton end of the road at once. A little less talking and surveying, and more building would tend to give the people more confidence in these railroad projects, which are generally built only on paper.

Checks of Inyo and Fresno country lakes show that Golden trout, planted in 1953, are now well established.

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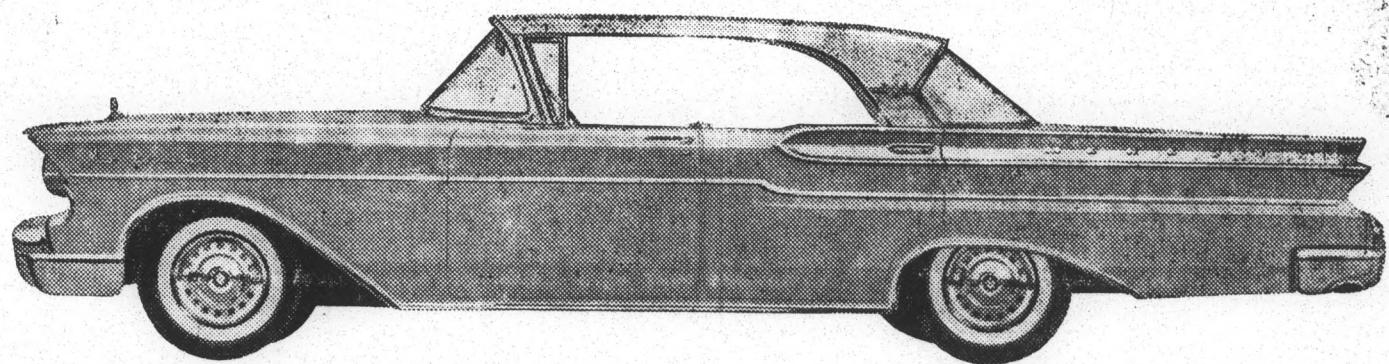
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**MCKINLEY-ROOSEVELT
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PHILADELPHIA, June 28, 1900 — The Republican convention here has nominated William McKinley for president and Theodore Roosevelt for vice president.

From
**Daybell
Nursery**
By John

Falling leaves and falling candidates indicate the season known as fall is here. This calls for special tools, new gadgets, and healthy exercise. Leaf rakes we have mentioned, but the well dressed gardener needs also a garden cart to haul the leaves away, compost maker to make them useful or matches to make them disappear.

Garden carts come two-wheeled, two-toned, but not too expensive. Less than ten dollars complete with license, insurance, and white sidewalls. Compost maker helps decompose the resulting mess into valuable leaf mold with a minimum of trouble. If you prefer burning your leaves and buying leaf mold from us we have matches free for the taking. Please help yourself.

If the leaves you are raking are dull, drab and monotonous you should plant trees of fall color — Liquid amber, some maples, tulip tree, pistachio, dogwood, persimmon, and ash are some that make leaf raking a pleasure. In fact the leaves are so pretty it's a shame to remove them. You could put it off for weeks.

This weekend having to do with Veterans, Homecoming, old timers and such we are closing Sunday 11 and Monday 12 and urging you to take part. Be sure to take the children to the parade — it's one of the few left. Buy a ticket on the car — your wife would get the dollar anyhow. Visit your friends, have a good time, and if you have any money left, come see us Tuesday.



HISTORIC EVENT in Porterville was the change-over to dial telephones last Saturday night, with the new system making it possible to directly dial many cities in the United States. Above photo shows Porterville Mayor Lester J. Hamilton, at phone, placing the first long distance call on the new system — a direct dial to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he talked with officials of the Rockwell Manufacturing company. Others in photo, standing, from left: Bob Crane, splicing foreman, Pacific Telephone and Telegraph; Bob Board, company manager in Porterville; Bill Baucom, Porterville Rotary club president; J. E. Wheeler, Porterville chamber of commerce director, and Earl Khuenert, supervising construction foreman. Prefix for the dial system is Sunset — by coincidence the name of the first phone company that was formed many years ago in this community. (Hammond photo)

Squirrel Tails Imported Into County In Attempt To Collect Bounty, But Fraud Plot Foiled

VISALIA, Sept. 6, 1900 — J. A. Howard, of Oakland, was before Justice Lillie on Thursday for his preliminary examination on the charge of fraudulently disposing of squirrel tails in order to collect

the bounty of three cents a tail offered by the county supervisors for such tails. The first charge against him was dismissed because of some flaw in it, but another was ready.

I. N. Clarkson, of Goshen, was the principal witness for the district attorney, as Clarkson had seen the drift of things and had turned state's evidence after he had vainly threatened to sue the county for heavy damages if his fraudulent claim for bounty on 4,893 tails was not allowed at once.

Clarkson said he didn't want to do anything out of the way when Howard approached him for the purpose of getting him to turn in a lot of tails. But he soon found a way around the matter when he was promised \$5.00 a thousand for the first lot of tails and \$7.50 a thousand for all subsequent lots that Howard promised to send up to him.

Howard told Clarkson he had 12,000 tails in a trunk he brought with him on his trip to Visalia. Clarkson said when he was solicited to handle the tails, Howard allayed his fears by telling him that if a man didn't do some crooked things these times, he couldn't get along very well.

"Our officers all do crooked things, and it is no worse for us than for them", he was told, so Clarkson agreed to try it.

Howard wanted another man so he could turn in as many tails as possible each month and not make things look suspicious. Clarkson finally fixed on Joe Doak; he got

Boom Indicated For Kernville

KERNVILLE, Aug. 30, 1900 —

This community is looking a short distance ahead for a big boom. It is expected that the Big Blue will start up after many years of idleness, during the month of November. The mine, if worked to its former capacity, will employ 300 men at the average wage of three dollars per day.

FAREWELL SERMON SUNDAY MORNING

POTERVILLE, Feb. 8, 1907 —

The Rev. J. A. Milligan, who leaves next week to assume the pastorate of the Second Congregational church of Oakland, is to occupy the pulpit of the Congregational church Sunday morning and will preach his farewell address to the people of Porterville.

two packages of tails and put the smaller one in Doak's buggy. He turned in 4,893 tails and Doak had 2,735.

A number of witnesses were examined; the defendant was held to answer in Superior court and his bond was fixed at \$2,000. In default of bail, he went to jail.

EX-GOVERNOR WILL PUSH FOR TULE ROAD

SPRINGVILLE, Aug. 30, 1900 —

Ex-Governor Markham was here last week on his way home from a trip back into the Sierra. Markham has been an enthusiastic lover of Kern river, and he is doing a lot of advertising.

He wants a better trail to Camp Nelson and says if the people of Tulare county won't build it, he and his friends from Los Angeles will.

"An effort is going to be made to have Congressman Needham get an appropriation to build a wagon road from Jim Aiken's place to the forks of Middle Tule, and to make a good trail from there to Nelson's", he said.

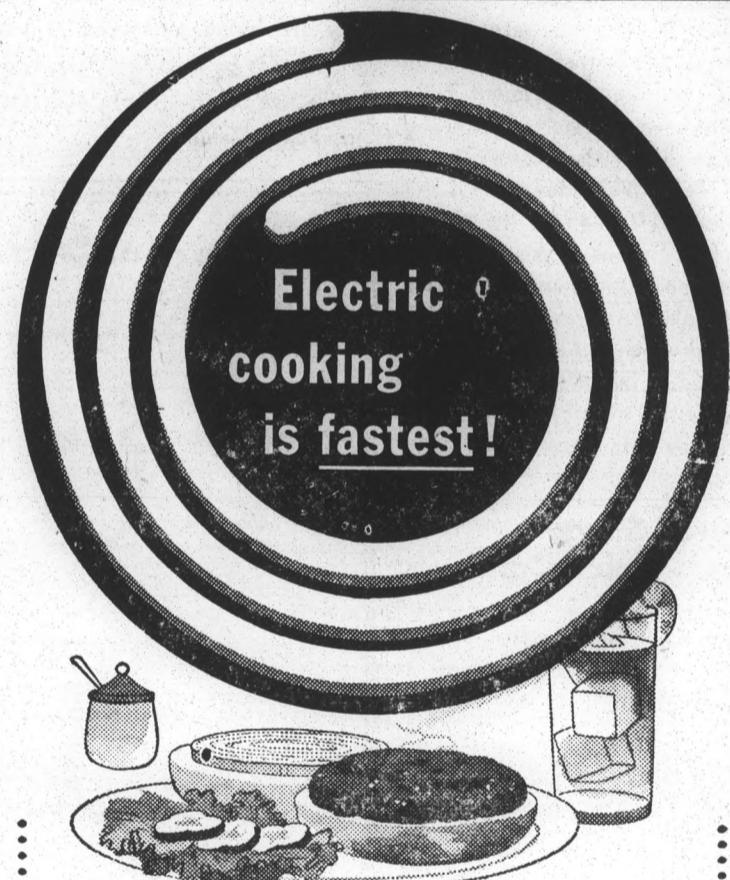
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STRAYED — one Hereford Heifer, Calf, 5 months old, 500 pounds. Dark red with white face and natural markings, branded with flying tee on right hip. Last seen two miles south of Woodville at intersection of road 168 and avenue 152. This is a boy's Future Farmer project calf. Anyone having information as to its whereabouts please call: Porterville SU 4-4431 collect, David Chamberlain. n8-1

FOR SALE — House Trailer, 22 ft. Normel, A-1 cond. Will sacrifice for quick sale. See Joe Stewart, after 5 and all day Sunday at Hobgood Trailer Court, Ashland Ave., Lindsay. n8-1

PORTERVILLE, Sept. 9, 1897 — There is a big demand for sheep shearers now. There are over 100,000 sheep waiting between here and the hills to be sheared.



SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL ORGANIZATION

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR RETARDED CHILDREN

FUND CAMPAIGN will be conducted by the Association for Retarded Children, November 11-23, with a "porchlight" campaign planned the evening of November 20. Co-Chairmen of the drive are Ralph Vopat and Marty Isch; in Porterville, with plans tentative-

honorary chairman is City Manager Charles Cummings. Boy Scouts will cooperate in the drive by taking brochures door-to-door on November 17. Seventy-five per cent of funds raised will remain in Porterville, with plans tentative-

ly made for providing a workshop for retarded children, 18 years of age and over. Fifteen per cent of money raised will go into a national research program; 10 per cent to the state association.

Ralph Vopat and Marty Isch; in Porterville, with plans tentative-



R. L. FRIEND butcher shop, located on Main Street about where the Wilcox Flower shop now is, is shown above, with the photo taken in 1904 or 1905. In the photo are, left, R. L. Friend, owner of the shop, and John Guinn. Mr. Friend also owned a slaughter house southwest of Porterville, and during summer months, used to butcher in the evening; carcasses were then brought to the shop and hung outside above the sidewalk to cool out during the night before being put into the ice box. Mr. Friend came to Porterville about 1902 and purchased the butcher shop from his brother, C. C. Friend. His son, V. R. Friend, now of Visalia, but who was raised in Porterville, recalls that when the old board sidewalks were replaced on Main street, there was a scramble between workmen and boys of the community for the coins — now and then a \$20 gold piece — that were uncovered as the old boards were taken up. (Photo courtesy V. R. Friend).

We Only Heard By BILL RODGERS

NOW THAT the election is history, Porterville residents can spend a day or two trying to get those various labels off their bumpers and car windshields. If you find a way to unstuck them, please let us know.

SPEAKING OF politics, we predict that the Democrat-controlled House and Senate will make things just as tough as possible for Ike and Dick during the next two years, strictly for political reasons. It is difficult to understand the thinking of voters who gave Eisenhower and Nixon such a tremendous vote, while at the same time tying their hands, to a great extent, with a Democrat House and Senate . . . Perhaps the southern Democrats will be the balancing factor that will keep things moving.

NOW HERE is the sad story of one Babe Hodgson, president of supervisor of the forest.

the Porterville chamber of commerce, business man, practical joker, and what have you. Seems that the new Hodgson dial phone number has the same numbers, but in slightly different order, as does a Porterville taxi cab concern. When the phone system changed over to dial at 11 p.m. last Saturday, Babe spent the rest of the night answering calls for a cab, with slightly blurred voices asking to be picked up here and there about town. After a sleepless night, Babe decided to either get a different phone number, or go into the cab business . . . We were greatly concerned when we heard of Babe's sleepless night, so concerned that we spent a sleepless night ourselves — laughing.

Fire Season
PORTERVILLE, Nov. 8, 1956 — Fire season for 1956 has been officially closed in the Sequoia National forest, according to a statement this week by Eldon Ball, supervisor of the forest.

SPORTSMEN CONSIDER GAME PROTECTION

PORTERVILLE, May 24, 1900 —

A sportsmen's convention will convene in San Francisco soon at which time better protection of wild game in the state is to be considered.

The board of supervisors of Tulare county failed to appoint delegates to this convention, though there is a matter respecting wild game in this county that requires attention.

Soldiers sent here to protect the national parks and reserves have nearly devastated the mountains east of Visalia of deer, and steps should be taken to stop this business.

REAL ESTATE BOOM IN FRESNO AREA

FRESNO, Sept. 30, 1881 — Within the last six months real estate has advanced about 30 per cent in and around Fresno, and the number of buyers has been multiplied at even a greater rate. The town is full of strangers and real estate men are doing a rushing business.

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Nebraska Families Visit Porterville

PORTERVILLE, Jan. 4, 1900 —

Four families, aggregating 23 people and children, arrived from Pawnee county, Nebraska, Monday, to stay the winter and very likely remain. They are: J. N. Wymore and family, brother of J. J. Wymore; Chas. Parli and family; George Porter and family and Wessley Burton and family.

Certificates Granted Teachers

PORTERVILLE, June 21, 1900 — Just one-third of the 18 applicants before the county board of education for teacher certificates were successful. Among those passing the ordeal were: Miss Lizzie Montgomery, of Porterville; Miss Alice Berry and Miss Lela Marshall, of White River.

See you in Porterville November 12.

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THE FARM TRIBUNE PROGRESS EDITION

Thursday, November 8, 1956

MONROE GRIGGS WRITES BOOK ON EARLY-DAY TEAMING EXPERIENCES

Tulare County Historical Society Publishes

Excellent Historical Work By A Real Pioneer

A fine contribution to recorded historical information about Tulare county has been made by Monroe C. Griggs, of Exeter, a real pioneer of the county, who has written of his early-day logging and teaming experiences in an illustrated booklet, "Wheeler's Pointers and Leaders."

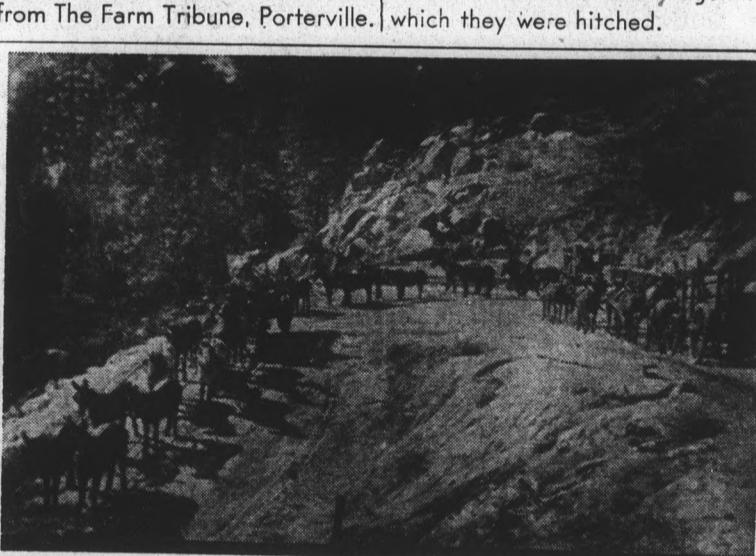
Mr. Griggs, who recalls driving cattle down Porterville's Main street in the 80s, tells how the early teamsters worked, how they actually hitched their teams, and how they handled their heavily-loaded wagons on the grades.



He also recounts many stories of early days, and his booklet has a number of pictures. Not only is the Griggs' book highly interesting reading, it brings back in print and pictures the days of the past.

"Wheeler's Pointers and Leaders"

Mrs. Griggs



COMING DOWN empty, three teams of eight horses each stopped for a picture on a curve on an early-day mountain road. This photo is from "Wheeler's Pointers and Leaders", by Monroe C.

Griggs, with Mr. Griggs stating that there are few pictures of teams in action going up grade because "everyone was too busy to take pictures."

(Harold Schutt photo)

Price is \$1.50.

On these pages are several pictures from the Griggs book.

RUNAWAY FROM SLAUGHTER HOUSE

PORTERVILLE, April 17, 1896—

Last Saturday, Howell & Reynolds' team ran away from the slaughter house clear to town and was finally caught at the school house. They did no damage, excepting to break a wheel off the wagon to which they were hitched.

GROVER CLEVELAND HAILED BY DEMOCRATS

PORTERVILLE, June 9, 1888—

As we go to press we learn that Grover Cleveland was nominated at St. Louis for president, and Al-

Ien G. Thurman for vice president.

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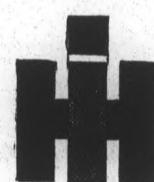
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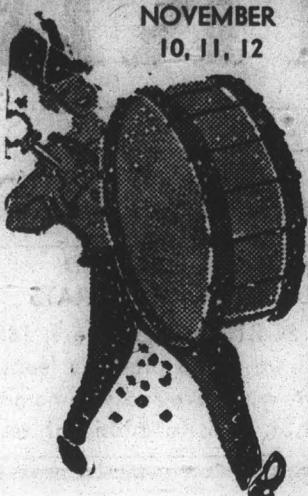
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he puts his team around the turn. and Leaders", by Monroe C. (Photo from "Wheeler's Pointers Griggs.)

PORTERVILLE WAS BUSTLING COMMUNITY BACK IN 1888, AS INDICATED BY LOCAL ITEMS IN OLD PORTERVILLE ENTERPRISE

Porterville was a bustling community back in 1888, judging by a lively edition of the Porterville Enterprise, dated June 9, 1888. This paper, Vol. I, No. 8, was then published by E. P. Dewey; it was later taken over and run for many years by the Lumley Brothers.

As a sample of 1888 activity in Porterville, here are a few local items:

On Saturday last an election was held for school trustee, Mrs. R. C. Redd receiving the unanimous vote. The board is now composed of C. A. McLain, O. A. Wilcox and Mrs. Redd, George Redd's term having expired. We believe the selection of a lady member to the board is a good one.

John S. Henry, proprietor of the Mountain View Stage line, informs us that passenger traffic is good and gradually increasing between this place and Tulare. William Thompson's daily line of stages to Visalia is also well patronized.

On Sunday last several parties came to Porterville from Woodville and other points expecting to take a ride on the cars over the new railroad to Fresno, and were sorely disappointed to find that no excursion would take place. We done our best to arrange for one, but without success.

The Roadmaster is still at work on our streets, and a large amount of filling in has been done on Main street, near Porter Slough. We hope the good work will continue for awhile.

On Monday last, Emil Newman, manager of the Pioneer Land Co., sold 16 lots in the vicinity of the company office on Main street, the amount aggregating \$3,500, the purchasers being Mrs. Ellen M. Johnson of Porterville and Chas. L. Taylor, president of the Sun Fire Insurance Co. of San Francisco. When the contemplated improvements are made, these lots will be valuable property.

J. W. Hall, formerly of Tulare, has bought the lot on Mill street in the rear of Dr. Boucher's place, formerly owned by R. P. Putnam, and is putting up a blacksmith shop. The old buliding, the second built in Porterville, has been moved back and a new one placed in front of it.

The Pioneer Land Co. has a large force of men at work clear-
(Continued on Page 7)

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Our future depends not only on gaining new customers, but also on our ability to retain the old patrons. With this in mind, Leggett's will continue to serve with the finest of clothing.

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Congressman Halts Oil Deals; Checks Bunco Games

POTERVILLE, Dec. 1, 1899 — At the request of Congressman Needham, the commissioner of the general land office has issued an order suspending all entries on the oil belt in this valley and no more entries will be permitted until an investigation has been made.

This land was originally returned as agricultural land, but its only value in a majority of cases is the oil now believed to exist beneath its surface.

This order will have a good effect. People are going crazy over oil and something is needed to steady the situation. There is a chance for all sorts of bunco games to be worked on people who are easily excited over a chance to get rich quickly, and there is no doubt but what many companies have stock for sale with nothing but a law suit as an asset.

A reclassification of the land should be made and the man who bores a well and gets oil ought to be protected from the scrip men.

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mule at the head of the team, the jerk-line leader, used to direct the entire team. His mate is the off-leader. The near leader was usually the best trained animal in the string. (Photo from Wheelers, Pointers and Leaders, by Monroe C. Griggs.)

Alfalfa Grows Without Irrigation

POTERVILLE, June 9, 1888 — Old Uncle Babe Williams had on

exhibition Monday a sample of alfalfa grown on his place two miles west of Porterville. The alfalfa has received no irrigation for three years and it measured about four feet, which shows the productivity of the soil.

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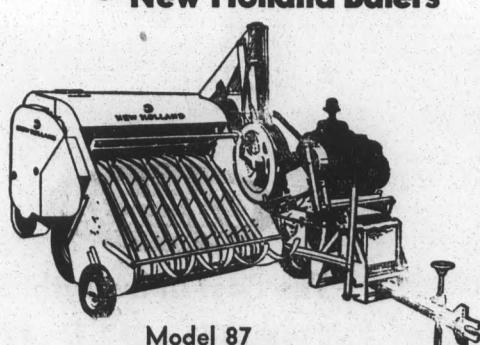
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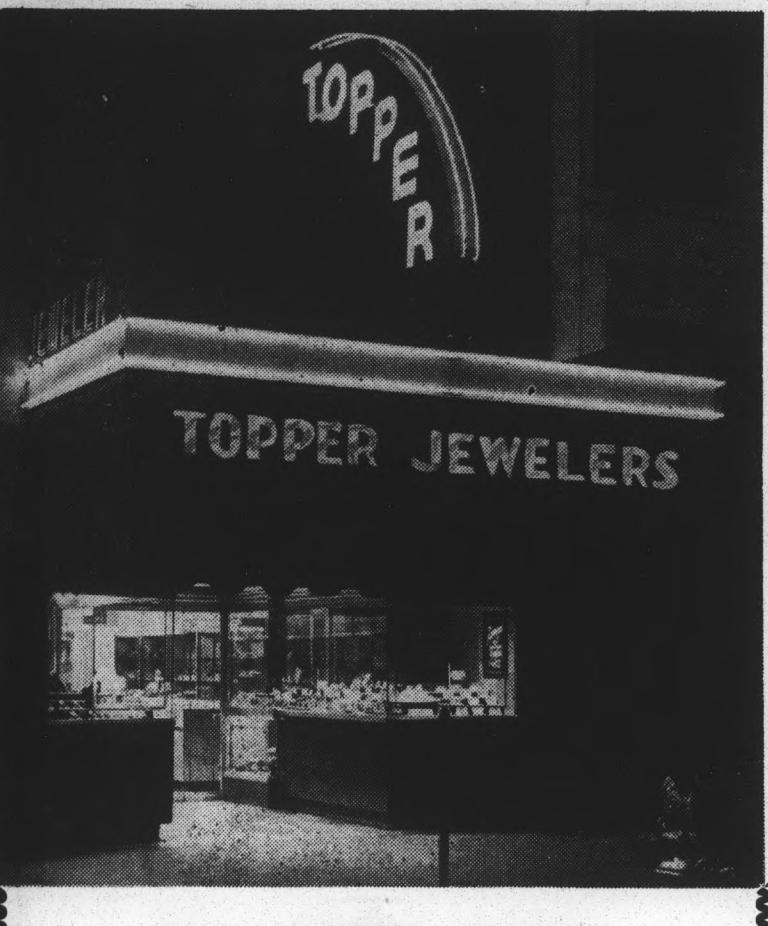
above outfit is a steam rig that replaced horses, mules and oxen as skid row power in early-day logging operations. The photo is from Mr. Griggs' recently published book.

PAVING MAN PRESENT BUT NO MEETING

PORTEVILLE, Dec. 14, 1909 — Fred Osborn, representing the Worswick Street Paving company, was among the disappointed who haunted the council chamber last night waiting for a meeting of the

city trustees which failed to occur.

It was his intention to ask the guardians of the city to visit other cities and see the actual results of work his company has done. Porterville's progress and its need of new paving induced Mr. Osborn to come here with an eye to bidding for street work.



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PORTEVILLE, June 9, 1888 —

On Monday last a petition was drawn up, signed by the president and secretary of the Porterville Improvement Co., asking the board of supervisors to grant them a franchise to erect electric light poles and masts in the town of Porterville and vicinity.

It was forwarded to Mr. Henderson, supervisor from this district, the board being in session this week in Visalia. On Wednesday, P. P. Davis, treasurer of the Porterville Improvement company, received a letter from Supervisor Henderson stating that the petition had been granted by the board inside of 20 minutes from the time it was presented.

This is getting improvements in a hurry.

Masquerade Ball St. Patrick's Night At White River

WHITE RIVER, Mar. 5, 1897 —

A Masquerade Ball is to be given March 17, St. Patrick's night, and extensive arrangements are being made to assure everyone a good time.

Mitchell Brothers are now ready to receive orders for costumes and masks, and any further information you want, ask them.

The ball is for the benefit of the hall, and the good times that are enjoyed at White River balls is so proverbial that it is unnecessary for us to tell you what you already know, viz. that you are sure to enjoy yourself if you go, which a great many intimate their intention of doing.

NEW NEIGHBORS AT QUINCY

QUINCY, Feb. 8, 1907 — We will have new neighbors on the river soon. Andrew Creeks and family, of Plano, are going to live just west of the Quincy school house.



THIS FOUR-CYLINDER Mitchell, dating back to 1907, was brought into Porterville during the Horseless Carriage meet by its owner, Bill Mitchell, of Fresno, who, with his wife, got into the spirit of the occasion by dressing in 1907 costumes. (Farm Tribune photo)

JERRY BECKER
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DAUNT, Feb. 8, 1907 — Jerry Becker is putting in grain on the George Clement place at Globe.

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OLD CARS GIVE MAIN STREET THAT PIONEER LOOK AS HORSELESS CARRIAGES CONGREGATE

Porterville's Main street took on that pioneer look in August, when the Horseless Carriage association met in Porterville, with Ed. Jones, and Porterville members of the association, acting as hosts.

Vintage cars from throughout the San Joaquin valley appeared en masse, with their drivers enjoying a barbecue lunch at Murry park, then competing in various events in a blocked-off area of Main street in front of the city hall.

Old timers who witnessed the event were taken back to the days when the new fangled autos chugged and puffed, scaring horses,

and calling forth wrathful predictions that these automobiles were just a passing fancy and certainly were not here to stay.

Shown on these pages are some of the "prizes" from the old days, all of them running under their own power.

Arbitrators Named For Land Case

POTERVILLE, April 17, 1896—E. Newman, A. G. Schulz and R. H. T. Marrenner have been selected as arbitrators to divide the land east of town owned jointly by J. P. Murry and the heirs of R. P. Putnam.

BOWEN REPORTS "LOTS OF GOLD" AT GREENHORN

POTERVILLE, Sept. 2, 1897—Ab Bowen was in town Monday from the Greenhorn, 20 miles southeast of White River, and reports the mine there turning out lots of gold.

The Hitchcock Brothers, he said, cleaned up \$8,000.00 from 20 tons of rock last Saturday and Joe Waugaman took a 27-pound bar of gold to Bakersfield last week as the result of his clean up.

"BODY" FOUND HANGING IN DELANO BARN

DELANO, Mar. 5, 1897—W. H. Sanders had a pretty good scare the other day. His children, who were playing in Amos Child's yard, which adjoins his, reported seeing Mr. Childs hanging in the barn.

Sanders went to the place and seeing from a distance a body hanging, did not wait to investigate further, but alarmed the neighbors, the justice of the peace and the constable.

They arrived at the spot, Sanders picked up his hat which had been propelled from his head by his hair raising, and perceived a dummy, which some practical joker had placed there.

Sanders felt like kicking himself, and was only prevented from doing so by his friends who were present.

No Street Lights On Moonlite Nights

FRESNO, Sept. 7, 1897—The city council, after due consideration, let the contract for lighting the city to the San Joaquin Electric company. The contract price for the lights is \$6.40 per light per month, the lights to burn from dusk until sunrise, all night, every night; this for arc electric lights. Three years ago the price was \$18.00 per light per month, and no service on moonlight nights or any night after 1:00 p.m.



A MENOMINEE truck, of 1912 vintage, shown above, belongs to Eloy Bilhou and Fred Tandrow, of Porterville, with Bilhou shown in the driver's seat. On the left is Rickey Wall, right, Billy Bilhou. Mr. Tand-

row, who is in the grocery business, causes quite a sensation when he uses this truck to deliver groceries — and it runs just as well as it ever did.

(Farm Tribune photo)

BETTER KEEP THOSE CHILDREN QUIET OR THE LAW WILL HAVE TO TAKE A HAND

(Editorial, Porterville Enterprise)

POTERVILLE, March 5, 1897—We have had many complaints about the boisterous conduct of children who attended the entertainment Thursday, and who made so much noise and disrupted the proceedings so continually as to cause the entertainer to repeatedly remonstrate with them. It became so bad that several people left the audience.

It seems a funny thing that parents should allow their children so much latitude, for they ought to take every precaution whilst they are young to correct them, teach them how to behave in public places, and the difference between right and wrong before they grow

much older, as it will then be too late, and the parents will rue the day they overlooked the opportunity of teaching their offsprings how to behave like gentlemen instead of young blackguards.

We hope for the future this bad behavior will not occur again, for if it does, they will find that, notwithstanding their age, the law will step in and take a hand.

POLES FOR TELEPHONE LINE

POTERVILLE, Sept. 2, 1897—A carload of poles for the Sunset Telephone company has been received. Telephone wires to ranches in the country will be put up at once.

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POTERVILLE, June 9, 1888 — J. M. Carty, of Visalia, paid us a short visit last Tuesday. While here he purchased a drove of hogs from McClain & Gill, and they were put aboard the cars at the Porterville switch and shipped to San Francisco under a contract made with the P. I. Co., making the first shipment from this place over the new road so far as we know.

We are told the price paid per carload to Fresno was \$35.00.

NEW TRAINER FOR JAMES J. JEFFRIES

POTERVILLE, Dec. 13, 1909 — Word has been received here that Tommy Ryan, the former middle-weight champion, may take an important part in training James J. Jeffries for his meeting with Jack Johnson. Ryan is credited with having taught Jeffries the famous crouch position during the former champion's conquering days.

Ask your grocer for Porterville flour. It is \$1.25 per sack.

Surprise Party Gets S. J. R. Gilbert Out Of Bed, Friday

POTERVILLE, Mar. 5, 1897 — S. J. R. Gilbert and family were completely surprised last Friday evening by a large number of friends, who went to their house and found "mine host" retired for the night after an arduous day's work, and the rest of the family almost ready to retire.

But they were equal to the occasion and entertained their visitors right royally. Next time they'll be prepared, as one of their friends has promised to give them a little private warning.

Among those present were: Mrs. A. Leslie, J. F. Boller and wife, W. Duncan and wife, Rev. Milligan and wife, Mrs. I. T. Hallford, Mrs. Steve Hallford and daughter, Grace Redfield, Edith Reas, Messrs. Frank Wright, Frank Eckles, H. Frame, Fred Bearss and G. L. Robbins.

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LARSON BUYS BUSINESS IN PORTERVILLE

POTERVILLE, Mar. 5, 1897 — J. N. Larson has bought out J. F. Greeley's ice, soda water and beer business, and hopes to receive the continued patronage accorded his predecessor.

Mr. Larson intends connecting his ice house with the local telephone for the convenience of his customers. We welcome Mr. Larson in our midst, and wish him success.

Run-Away Creates Excitement In Town

POTERVILLE, Feb. 8, 1907 — Will Anderson's big black horse created considerable excitement Wednesday by running away. Frightened by a passing bicycle rider, the spirited animal, which was attached to a light cart and was tied in front of Webb Loyd's house on D street, broke from its hitching and was soon creating consternation on Main street, where several collisions with other rigs were narrowly averted. The animal ended up at its stable across the slough.



THIS 1904 Oldsmobile, with its one-cylinder motor in the rear, was a real beauty in its day, and a source of interest when it appeared in Porterville last August. In the car are its owners, Hershel and Hope Case, of Fresno; they did not drive the car from Fresno, but they did almost as well. They brought it in on a trailer, pulled by a 1930 Auburn.

(Farm Tribune photo)

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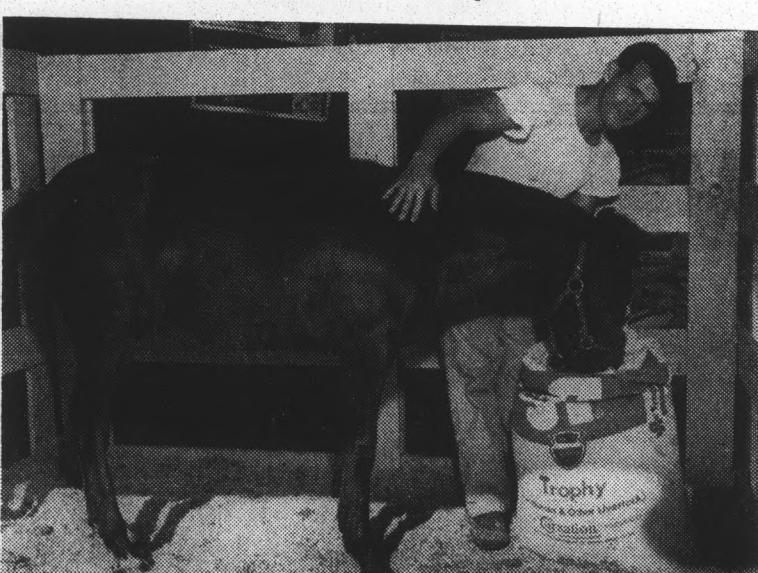
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REAL SPORTY is the above Ford Speedster, from the year 1914. Its owner, G. E. Doubleday, of Fresno, was decked out "fit to kill" in keeping with his car. Incidentally, this Ford had too much for the other old cars, winning a block-long race from Buicks, Hupmobiles, Kissel Kars and Oldsmobiles with bursts of sheer power and speed. In fact, this car jumped right out at 35 miles per hour, or perhaps even faster.

(Farm Tribune photo)

Porterville Was Bustling Community Back In 1888, As Indicated By Local Items In Old Porterville Enterprise

(Continued From Page 2) ing off their land along the old river bottom, and when this is accomplished, it will open up to cultivation a large acreage of their best land. The slough will be drained of stagnant water, which has been allowed to run into the company's land through the carelessness of other property owners in overflowing ditches.

P. P. Davis has been appointed agent for the Merchants' and Bankers' Mutual Life Ins. Co. of S. F.

Dr. Higgins has just erected a new windmill and tank, which is quite an ornament to that end of town.

R. P. Putnam is fixing up his old warehouse in substantial shape for the use of the Band Boys.

Treasurer P. P. Davis informs us that about \$400 has been paid in on subscriptions to public improvements, being nearly one-half of the amount now due. As soon as the balance is collected, work will be commenced.

On Tuesday, the proprietor of the old Chinese laundry was fined \$10 by Justice Loyd for allowing the ditch on his premises to overflow and spread over the county road. On Friday, he was again arrested for repeating the offense.

Among business firms that were active in Porterville in 1888 were: The Pioneer Land Co., which was offering farm land at \$100 per

acre, with 20 per cent down.

Wilko Mentz was selling groceries, cheap for cash.

P. P. Davis advertised general merchandise, furniture and an undertaking service, with a full line of caskets and shrouds.

George E. Ducommun had watches and jewelry for sale, and repaired same.

J. D. Billingsley was proprietor of the Porterville Livery stable.

G. N. Redd advertised a fresh stock of candies, nuts, tobacco and cigars, plus pipes, stationery, shoes, glassware and fancy articles.

Harness, whips and saddles were being manufactured and sold by C. G. Schnee.

Jas. Geary made boots and shoes.

Fred Ackerman and L. Osuna

Hing Sing was the proprietor of the New Laundry back of the Porterville Music hall.

Dr. P. F. Chapman operated a drug store with a full line of drugs, chemicals and fancy articles.

C. N. Kneeland, tinsmith and plumber, operated a shop on the

northeast corner of Mill and Main streets.

Robert Baker, at the southeast corner of Mill and Main streets, was dealing in general merchandise and lumber, with farmer's produce taken in exchange for goods, at the highest market values.

R. Porter Putnam sold general merchandise, the Buckeye mower

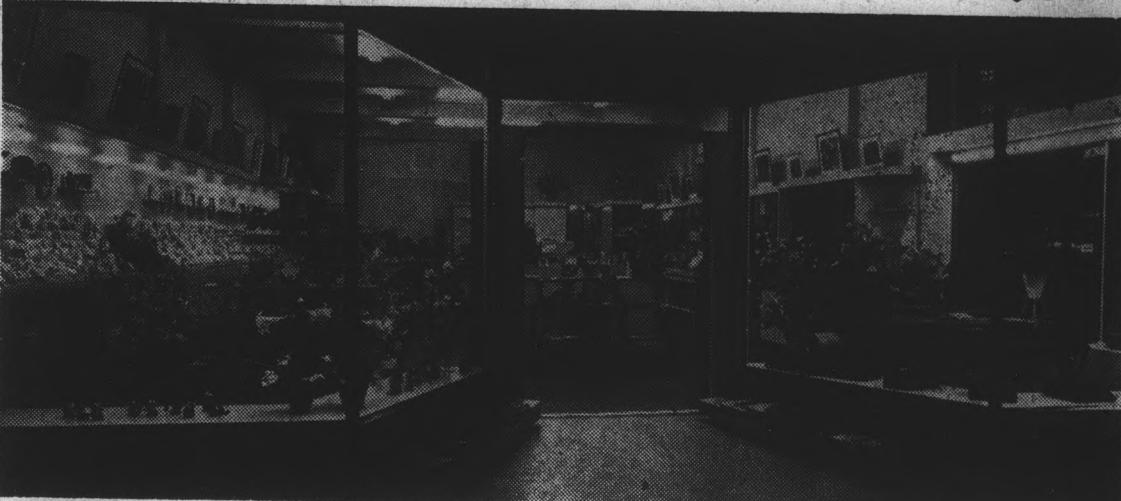
and farm and spring wagons.

George Berkheister painted houses and carriages; his shop was in the rear of John Wessman's blacksmith shop.

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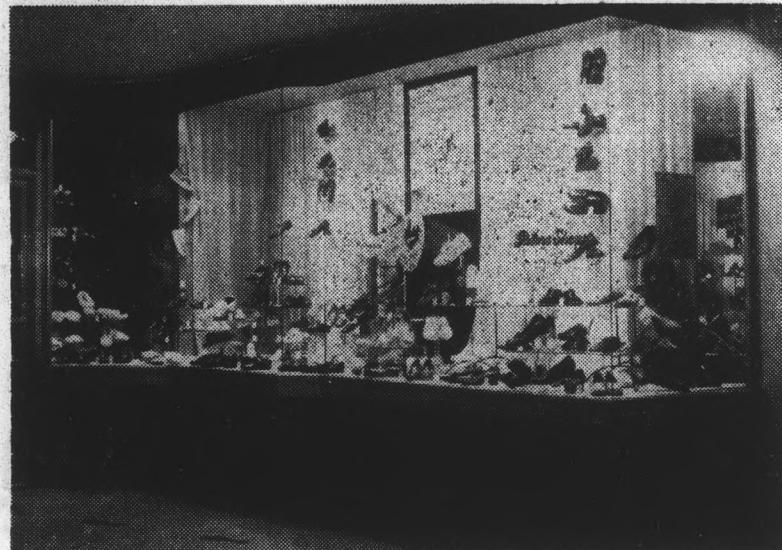
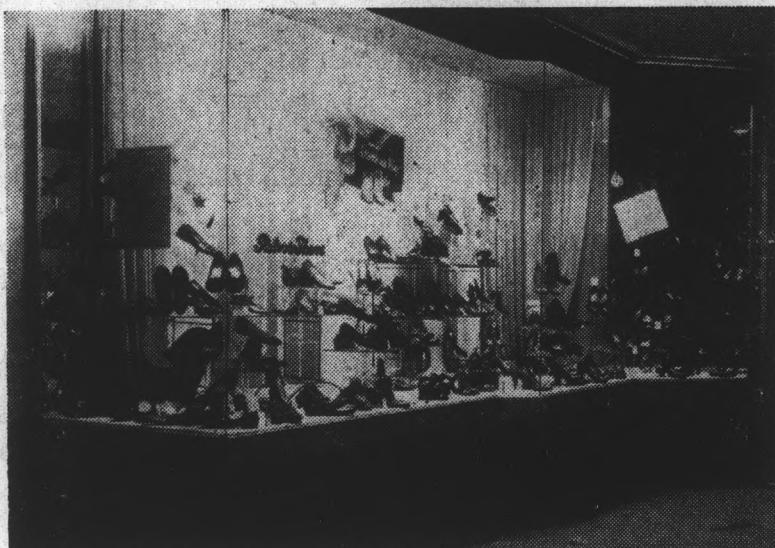
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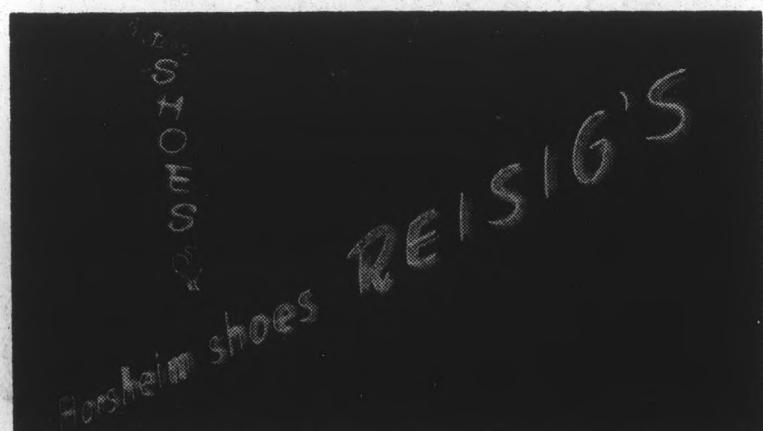
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ESTABLISHING OF CITRUS INDUSTRY WAS A NOTABLE DEVELOPMENT

(By Ina H. Stiner. A paper given at the Porterville Pierian Club, April 20, 1956)

To be an outstanding event, its effect should not be merely temporary but permanent and its influence far-reaching. Also it should effect not only the locality but the citizens as well, in the development of the town's history.

Porterville has had examples of events that seemed at the time outstanding, such as the coming in 1888 of the Southern Pacific railroad and its first train. But in 1938 there was equal enthusiasm over Highway 65; the family automobile and the motor trucks had displaced much of the usefulness of the railroad. Earlier than that, back in 1864, it was the old emigrant road that had determined the founding of Porterville on this spot by R. Porter Putnam.

Thus in the passing of time the importance to a place of some method of transportation have been superseded.

Another example is in agricultural production: the great grain producing era, developed into importance by the coming of the Southern Pacific railroad into the Tulare valley, belongs to the last century, an event of the past.

For an event most outstanding in its permanence and its influence in Porterville history, I choose the

establishing of the Citrus Industry. Various persons have aided in its success; e.g. (1) the discovery in 1890 of water to irrigate lands out of some subsidiary events and va-

pumps could bring underground mountain streams. (2) Power be-

ing brought for these pumps from

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COLORFUL NOW, but the ordinary thing in the early days, were the ox teams, as shown above, used in Sierra logging operations and also used to haul freight in the mountain country. We do not have the identifications on this picture. Do you know the people in it; do you know where and when it was taken?

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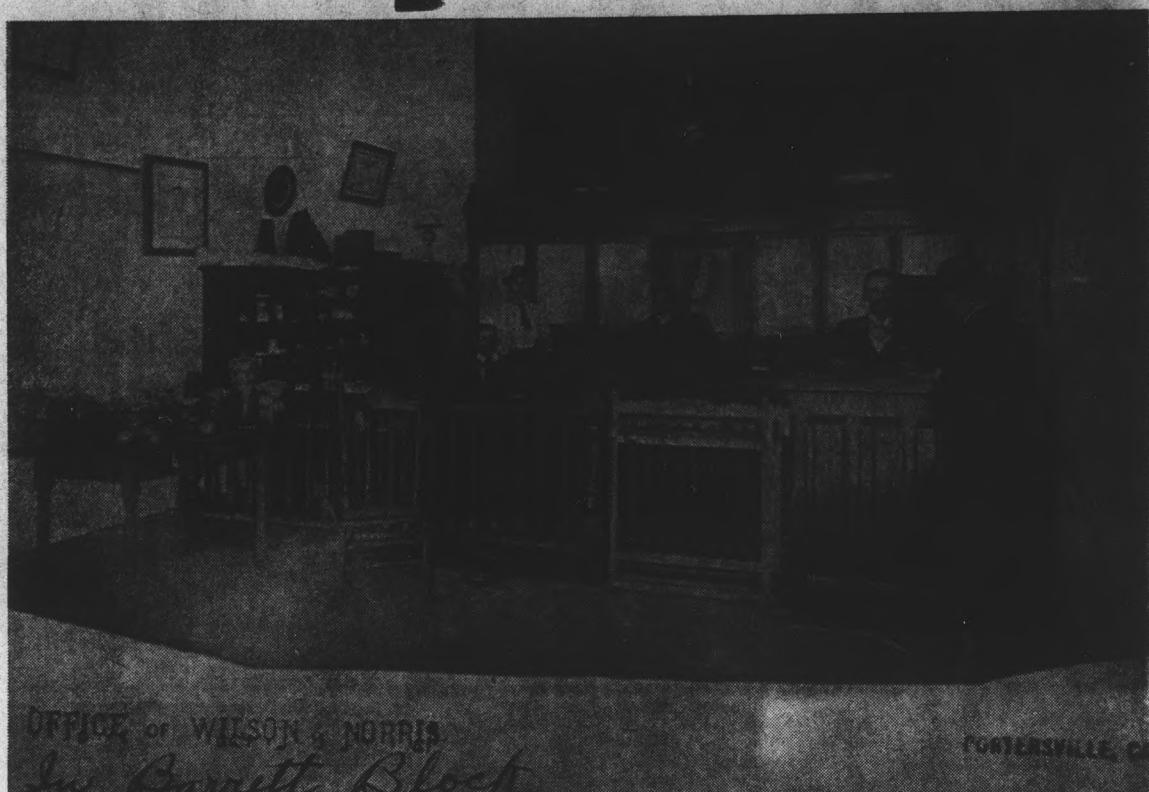
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SOME PIONEERS returning to Porterville for the annual Homecoming November 12 probably did business in this office around the turn of the century. It is the office of Wilson & Norris (we believe the correct spelling should be Wilson) in the Barrett block. Norris is standing at the right, A. M. Lum-

ley is standing at left rear. On the table at left are displays of Porterville produce, and the word, "Porterville", at lower left, brings up the question of when Porterville became Porterville. The "s" is used in some cases up into the early 1900s however, back in the early days of the Enterprise newspaper, (started in 1888) the spelling on the paper omitted the letter "s".

ESTABLISHING OF CITRUS INDUSTRY WAS A NOTABLE DEVELOPMENT

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hydro-electric plants in the Sierras by the Mt. Whitney Power and Electric Co. beginning in 1899. (3) the constructive work of the early citrus growers in establishing co-operative packing and marketing, beginning about 1901.

CITRUS EXPANSION STILL CONTINUES

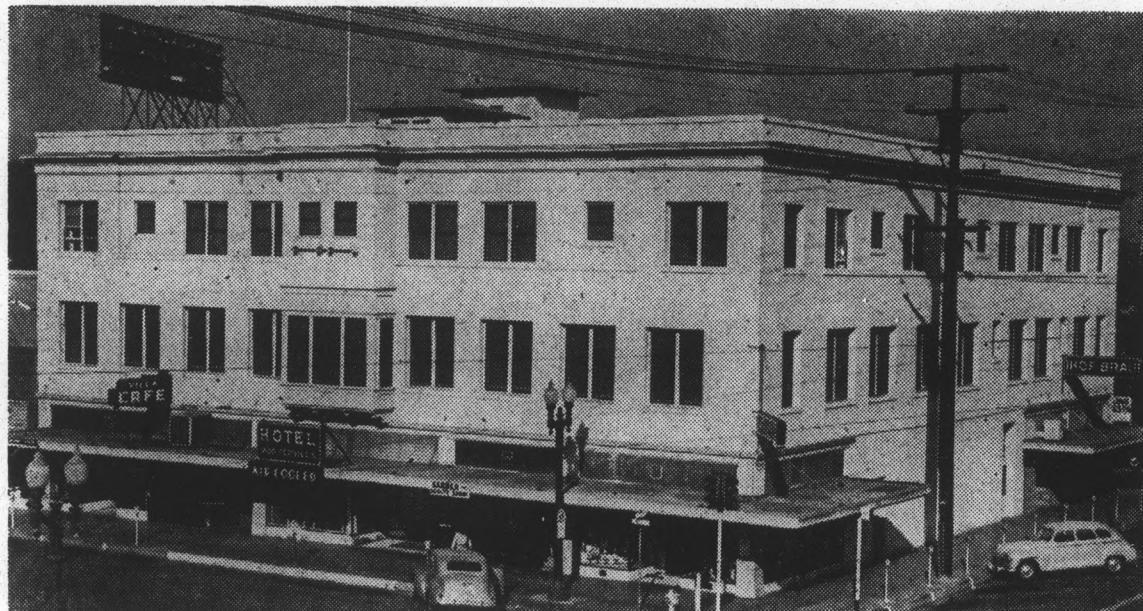
The permanency of the citrus industry in the Porterville area is attested by its 75 years of history and by the fact that now in 1956 growers in Southern California are turning from their own groves, depleted by disease and by the intrusion of urban housing, to the lands and climate of this area.

The benefit of the orange industry to the development of Porterville is attested by the part, as citizens, that the orange growers have played in financial, educational, religious, and civil matters.

For illustration here is a list, given by Rev. J. A. Milligan, of growers who were earliest in various sections: (I would add: remembered as good citizens) (Worth) A. H. Adams, Fred Bailey, J. Orr, D. Pratt, Mr. Campbell; (South Tule) Witt Bros., Jas. Wardlaw, C. Reese, Will Putnam, Mr. Schmittou; (Pleasant Valley) W. E. Sproff; (east of Porterville) Jos. Carter, M. Davidson, Drs. Hardeman and Brumfield, J. H. Williams, H. F. Brey, Schulz and Willson, A. A. Abbey, the Henry Bros., E. Newman, E. O. Giddings, J. S. Lewis, Mark Burgess; (Zante) Pioneer Land Co. under V. D. Knupp, Lumley Bros., Henry Peterson, Jos. Weisenberger, T. Bearss, C. Buswell, C. H. Flanders; (Plano) Peter Ting.

Orange plantings necessitated an initial amount of capital, but old timers can cite examples of successful growers who began by investing their savings from meager earnings. The industry in the meantime has given employment in the groves to our native Mexicans and others, and in the packing houses to many persons at a profit. (Continued on next page)

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able wage.

Some statistics: In 1934, income of the Tulare County Fruit Exchange was reported as \$2,374,780, from 2,461 cars. In 1955, the Tulare County Fruit Exchange reports a \$10,463,239 return from its 6,120 cars. (This represents 25% of the Tulare valley fruit; the Central California Citrus Exchange accounts for 50% more; and the independent shipper for another 25%). In 1956 the tree crop in the two Exchanges in Tulare County is 14,500 cars; that of Southern California is 16,000.

SARDIS WILCOX PLANTS ORANGES

The very first attempt at farming in the Porterville area included the planting of some oranges; it was that of Sardis Wilcox, who filed on his land in 1853 and brought his wife and relatives in 1856 to the present Templeton ranch at the junction of South Tule with the main river. He already knew Los Angeles, and with his brothers went there to get his cattle and supplies. He got 600 grapevines and 600 seedling orange trees, and planted them on the lower land near Tule River. He also made careful observations at Los Angeles on methods of irrigation; he knew nothing about irrigation, as that was used only in the Southwest and far West.

His grapevines made a good and profitable vineyard; but the orange trees did not survive the first winter's frost. (As Sardis Wilcox died in 1861, it was his family who later found that orange trees would grow on their higher land; the daughter, Martha Templeton, raised trees from seeds she got from the Huffman Whites. Sardis Templeton thinks that a few of these are still standing in their grove.)

Sardis Wilcox probably got his young orange trees from a first nursery at Los Angeles, because the first nurseries there — those of Keller and of Dr. Halsey — were begun in 1853. The latter was soon sold to William Wolfskill, who had set out a large orange grove at Los Angeles about 1841. (The orange grove of the Mission of San Gabriel is said to have been the first in California, planted about 1804. Don Luis Vignes planted the second grove, in 1834, at Los Angeles.)

The native home of the orange is across the Pacific from us, in the East Indies and Southeast Asia; but the orange started its round-the-world journey by going in the opposite direction, and many centuries ago reached Southern Europe. The Spanish and Portuguese early brought it to Latin America. However, in the lands now a part of the United States, it is the English-speaking people who have developed the orange industry — beginning in Florida in the 1820's and in California in the 1850's.

Besides the planting near Los Angeles, it was also begun near Marysville and Oroville in the 1850's by General Sutter and others. Citrus fruit was sent north from Los Angeles to sell to the

miners and in the San Francisco area.

L. A. ORANGES SOLD AT VISALIA

Oranges from Los Angeles, sold at Visalia, brought about the second attempt to raise oranges in the Porterville area; and two women produced the first trees grown successfully to bearing age. One of them was Mrs. Huffman White (Juanita Anthony Brown) who lived at that time (1863) in the north arm of Frazier Valley, about four miles north of the Ralph Gill house. She planted the seeds from two oranges that Billy Morrow gave her sons when he came to go with her husband to the sheep range in the mountains.

One orange tree grew; and, according to her son, W. W. Brown, "it took seven years before the orange tree bore". (It was from this tree at the Whites that the seeds came for the seedling trees that finally grew at the Wilcox ranch). Huffman White did not pursue the growing of an orange orchard in Frazier Valley; instead, he had a good peach orchard.

Quite likely Billy Morrow got his oranges at the same event at which the Gideon Deming Gibbons family of Plano got theirs — a Fourth of July celebration at Visalia in 1863, while the Union soldiers were stationed there during the Civil War. Mrs. Gibbons (Amanda Hawthorne Gibbons) saved and planted the orange seeds. Three trees grew; and Mrs. Gibbons covered them every winter night to protect them from the frost, until some two years later, when her husband, while at Stockton getting supplies, learned that orange trees grew successfully out in the open much farther north at Marysville and Oroville. "In eight years two very fine trees were producing", that is, in 1871.

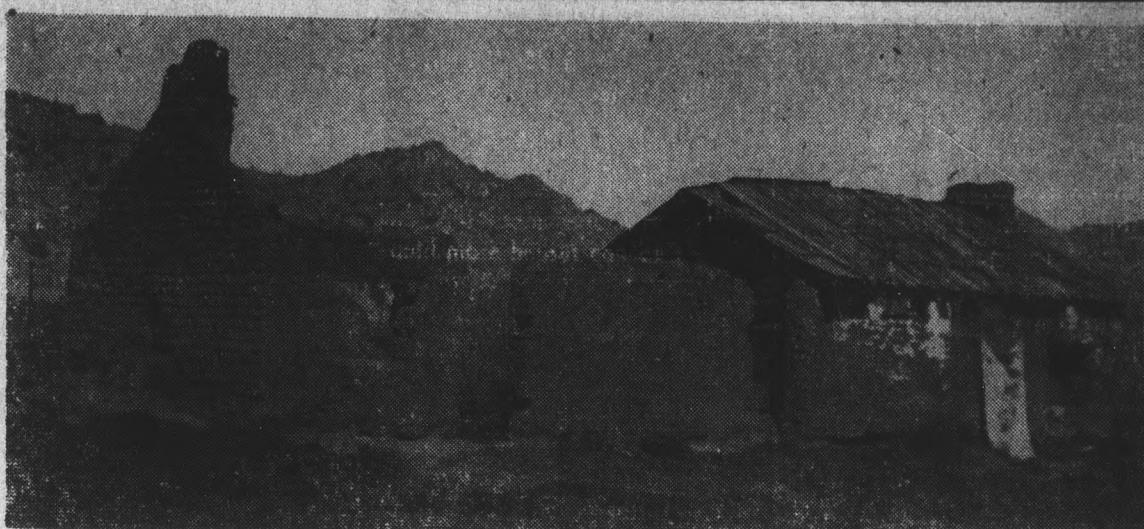
A daughter, Mrs. Rosanna Reed, said that her mother covered the first blossoms with a veil to protect them from the grasshoppers. But soon they had oranges to take to church socials and to sell; and Mr. Hobart Webster said that, when he came to Porterville in 1884, it was quite the thing for young people to walk over to Plano to be entertained at the Gibbons home, with a treat of oranges.

G. D. Gibbons exhibited some of the oranges at the Los Angeles Citrus Fair in 1881 and took a first premium on seedling oranges. He raised seedlings to plant east of his family orchard, where, about five years ago I saw them — rebudded by L. E. Prestage from scions of newer kinds. After Mr. Prestage bought the place and wanted to remodel the house, he cut down the remaining original tree, which was at the right of the entrance as one approached the house. (A picture of it, copied from a tin-type, is in reverse. Jay Brown has portions of the stump of the tree.)

"SWEET" ORANGES EARLY STOCK

What kind of oranges were these that were eaten at Visalia in the 1860's and later grown at Porterville?

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EVEN THIS remnant of the past call these ruins, a few may even | courtesy of Helen White.
is now gone — the ruins of the old | recall the building when it was
adobe building at site of the early- | actually in use. Only remaining
day Indian reservation where the | trace of the old reservation head-
Alta Vista school is now located. | quarters site is the fig trees that
Pioneers returning from the No- | were planted there when the res-
November 12 homecoming may re- | ervation was being used. (Photo

HOGS SHIPPED

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FACE LIFTING on Main street was one of the events of the past summer; the old P. P. Davis building is shown above, with scaffolding around it, and bottom, the same building after a modernization job by Max Young. The property is now owned by Katherine Delventhal, of St. Louis, Mo. (Farm Tribune photos)

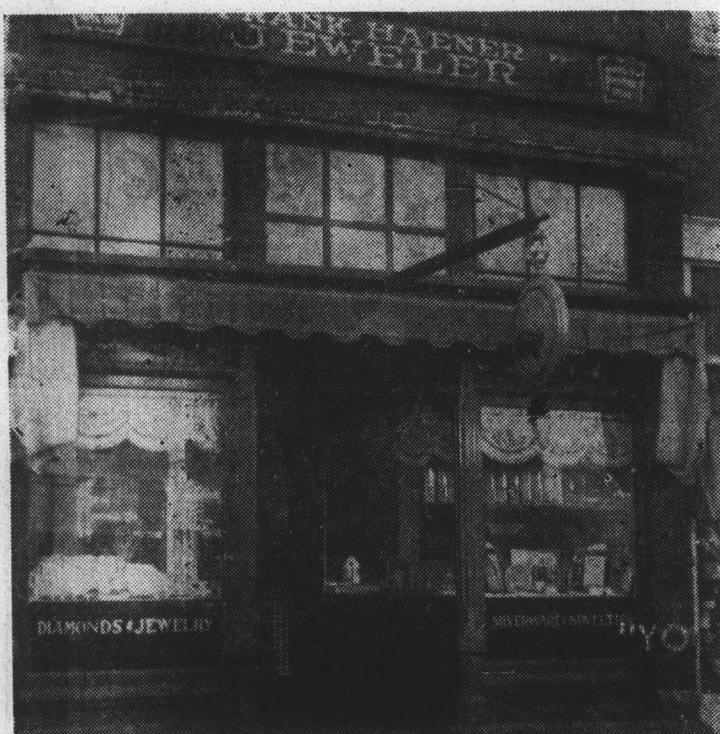
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(Continued from Previous Page) recently used as resistant rootstock) and the sweet orange (also "sweet" oranges. According to the history of the orange: there were from early times two distinct kinds — the sour orange (more

lately used as rootstock, but raised then for eating). Neither of these is a known native species, for down through the centuries, im-

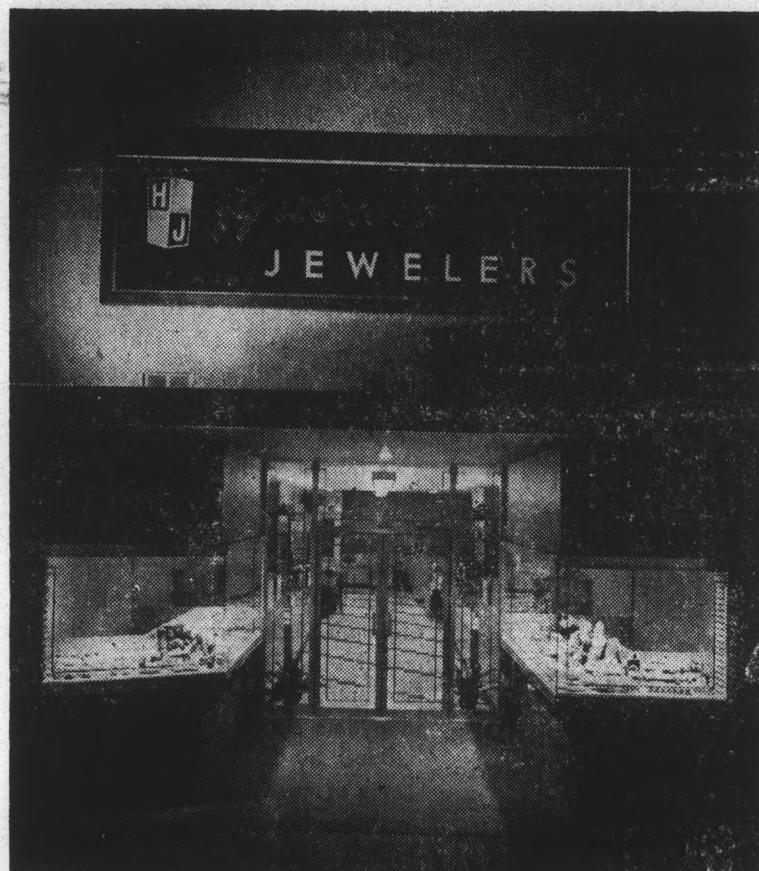
provements have naturally been noticed and selected for planting. It is as the poet says of the rose: "And the buds that break Out of the brier's boughs When the March winds wake So old with their beauty are— Oh, No man knows (Continued on Next Page)

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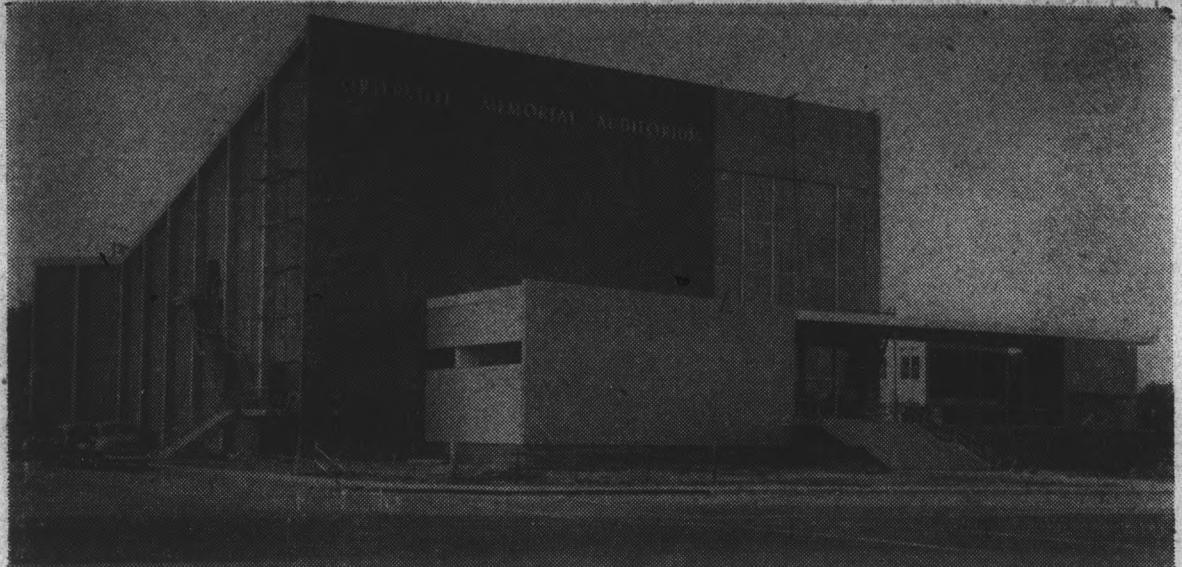


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PROGRESS IN PORTERVILLE is reflected in this new Porterville Memorial auditorium, being constructed at Olive and Jaye streets by the Porterville Veterans' Mem-

orial district. The 1,800-seat structure is designed for maximum acoustical efficiency and for unobstructed vision from all seats. The

building is now in final stages of construction and should be ready for use before the end of the year.

(Farm Tribune photo)

ESTABLISHING OF CITRUS INDUSTRY WAS A NOTABLE DEVELOPMENT

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Through what wild centuries
Roses back the rose."

However, history does tell us something about the origin of the kinds now produced by our large citrus industry. A Portuguese gardener in Bahia, Brazil, found in 1820 a freak branch having oranges of a navel construction and without seeds. In 1830 young trees budded from this variant were brought to Florida. Later they were called in California the Washington Navel instead of Bahia Navel from the fact that it was from the Agriculture department of the United States government at Washington that one of these

trees imported from Bahia was sent in 1873 to Mrs. L. C. Tibbets of Riverside, California. (Authority: H. J. Webber, in The Citrus Industry)

The Valencia orange, which was developed in the Azore Islands, came to California in 1876 from an English nursery, unlabeled, and was later identified by a Spanish citrus grower as "Naranja tarde de Valencia"; some of them had been brought to Florida in 1870.

The Mediterranean Sweet is said to have been found among budded trees received by Thos. A. Gary of Los Angeles from a New York nurseryman about 1870. These oranges, common now in

California orchards, are called budded kinds because to retain their particular properties and type they must be propagated by budding. (There are other varieties and budded kinds; and it is now known that there was a much earlier seedless navel orange.) But our oranges in the 1860's could not have been of these budded kinds not then known in California.

ALBERT HENRY BUDS ORANGES

The first man bringing budded oranges to be grown in Porterville was Albert R. Henry. He had been in Porterville since 1865 — a miller in the flour mill of Murry park, and a bookkeeper for R. P.

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REWARD CLAIMED FOR CAPTURE OF TRAIN ROBBERS

VISALIA, Nov. 12, 1891—Complaint was filed in the superior court today by Patrick J. Conway against the Southern Pacific company to recover the sum of \$1,666.66 and costs of suit.

The amount sued for is the reward offered by the Southern Pacific for the arrest and conviction

of any of the parties concerned in the Alilia train robbery. Conway claims to have secured the conviction of Gratton Dalton, and the railway now refuses to pay the reward.

C. G. Lamberson is attorney for the plaintiff.

Gerald R. Lumley is here to stay. No monkey business about the policies he issues.



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Putnam. He homesteaded 160

acres along the foothills north of Morton street; his house was near what would be now the extension of Liberty street. Part of it (east of the Carter Hill) was a level piece so dry that he called it Arizona Flat because he thought nothing could grow there. The Patterson branch of the Pioneer Ditch ran through his land on the way to the Lewis Place (now Beatie's). Albert Henry planted on the slope above this ditch 100 budded orange trees that he got at Riverside.

According to the diary of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Oliver Henry, whose family had just arrived in California, Albert Henry started on January 1, 1879, in a wagon taking Henry Ford with him, to get these young orange trees. Albert Henry went back to Riverside to learn about budding and planting. He died in 1890, so probably he did not develop much of a nursery, and that early plantings from the Henrys were from the nurseries of his brother, Oliver, and nephew, Willshier.

Oliver Henry bought in 1881 (using 40 twenty-dollar gold pieces) a tract of Patterson land west of the Carters and north and south of Morton street, part of which became the property of his son, Willshier Henry, who married Lana Barber (later Mrs. Roth). Joining in the nursery business with Willshier Henry was his brother-in-law, Schuyler Allman Barber (brother of Lana, and marrying Frankie Henry). (S. A. Barber left the nurs-



THIS EARLY-DAY store — H. A. Frame, general produce merchant — was located on the east side of Main street in the 300 block about where the Stevens store now is. The white-coated individuals are two barbers, and a customer, who

tured, with the barber on the left believed to be J. J. Jeffries. Harvey Frame is third from the right and a Mr. Crookshanks is tentatively identified as second from the right. Others in the photo are not identified. Mr. Frame later

built a building and moved to the center of the 500 block on the east side of Main, where his name can still be seen, implanted in brass letters, in the city sidewalk. The above photo was probably taken about 1900.

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ery in 1896 to attend Cooper's Medical Institute, from which he graduated in 1899, in the same class with Dr. Austin Miller. The Henry groves were among the first here to bear standard oranges for the market.

COMMERCIAL PLANTING MADE

In fact the first commercial

plantings were in this section northeast of Porterville; the Carters and others there planted oranges, some raising their own seedlings for budding. George Frost from Riverside began, in 1889, planting with trees shipped from Florida, a 60-acre tract (to the north of the Henrys) in 10-acre lots for various persons, mostly living elsewhere. The reasons for the earlier planting

in this section were: The successful Henry grove and their nurs-
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SEQUESTRATION OF TIMBER OPPOSED

POPLAR, Nov. 12, 1891 — Harry Quinn says his neighbors are unanimously opposed to the contemplated sequestration of the Sierra Nevadas.

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FOOTBALL WILL be one of the featured attractions of the 1956 Homecoming day, and back in 1904, the above team was also a featured attraction on Christmas day, when they played the Porterville high school team on the field. Cleve Udell and that was then located near Olive and E streets. Top row, from left to right, are: Ray "Rip" Van Emon, George Willis; center row: Tom Ferguson, John Orr, Roy Tillis, Ed "Bud" Halbert and Lyons. Hold-

"We got walloped, and I could hardly walk for a week after." Tom says this was an alumni team that got together for the Christmas day game and that the high school boys were in too good shape for them. Notice that they wore no headgear and no shoulder pads. (Photo courtesy Cleve Udell)

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Well-pumped irrigation water, though proved practical by J. J. Cairns of Lindsay in 1890, was slow in taking hold where the water-tables were lower in the higher lands—until better kinds of pumps, like the double-action plunger, came on the market after 1900, when also electric-motor service began. It was from 1906, until the big freeze in 1913, that orange planting boomed, according to one observer.

It seems to us, in looking back now, that the orange industry was a long time getting started after Albert Henry had initiated pro-

duction of commercial oranges in 1879-80. One noticeable thing, though, about orange production was co-operation: Growers joining together on ditches or in pumping systems; and after first packing at their own groves, as in George Frost's early packing house, joining together in each district in "associations" for packing.

In 1901 there were two associations in the Porterville area: the Porterville Citrus association (including Porterville, Plano, Rosedale — i.e. Worth —, South Tule, and Pleasant valley) and the Zante Citrus association.

Lindsay had four. It was at this time, 1901, that the Tule County Citrus Fruit Exchange was formed, combining together all of these associations for the purpose of "maintaining standards in grade and pack, regulating distribution, and stabilizing markets". This county organization soon became

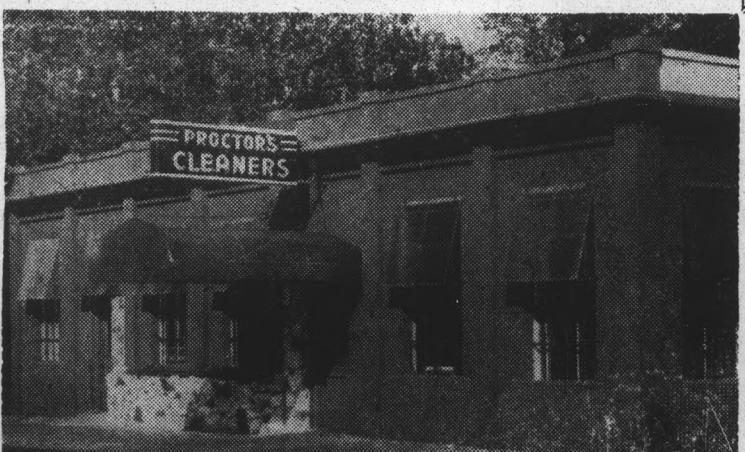
part of the California Fruit Exchange.

SUNKIST GROWERS HANDLES FRUIT

By 1956 the trade name of the California Fruit Exchange has become Sunkist Growers, Inc. The office of the Tulare County Fruit Exchange is in Porterville (built in 1928-9 on the southeast corner of D and Putnam). In the same building is the office of the purchasing

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re; Ray Scruggs, rt; Lawrence Abey, rg; Everett Cloer, center; George Wiedmark, lg; Jay Brown, lt; Sardis Templeton, le; Roy Scruggs, lh; McClellan Kuhn, rh; Eugene McFarland, qb, and Charlie Beckwith, captain, fb. Everett Cloer recalls that this team played in 1907 or '08; he doesn't remember whether or not they beat Tulare, but he says, "Probably not. We didn't win many that year."

ESTABLISHING OF CITRUS INDUSTRY WAS A NOTABLE DEVELOPMENT

(Continued from Previous Page) department of the Exchange — called the Fruit Growers Supply company. About 85% of the growers of the area belong to the member associations.

Always there are some growers using, instead, the commercial shippers, of whom the first in Porterville was the Earl Fruit company. With the packing houses of the 37 Associations in the two Exchanges and with the independent

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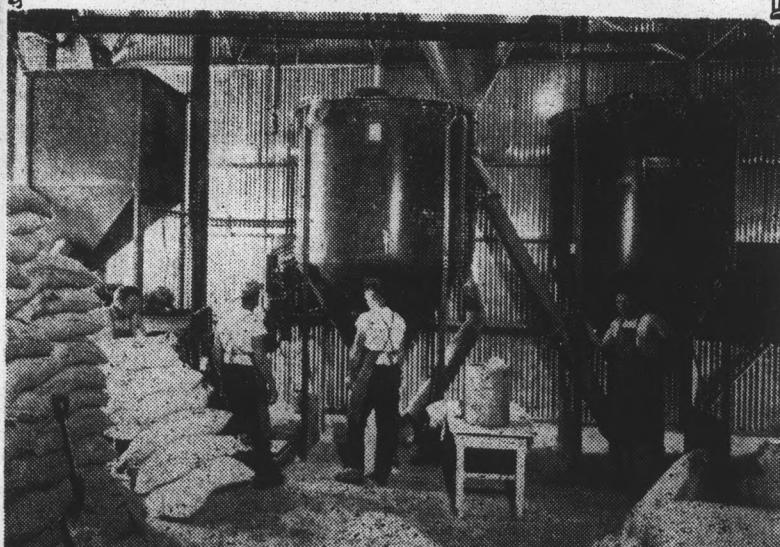
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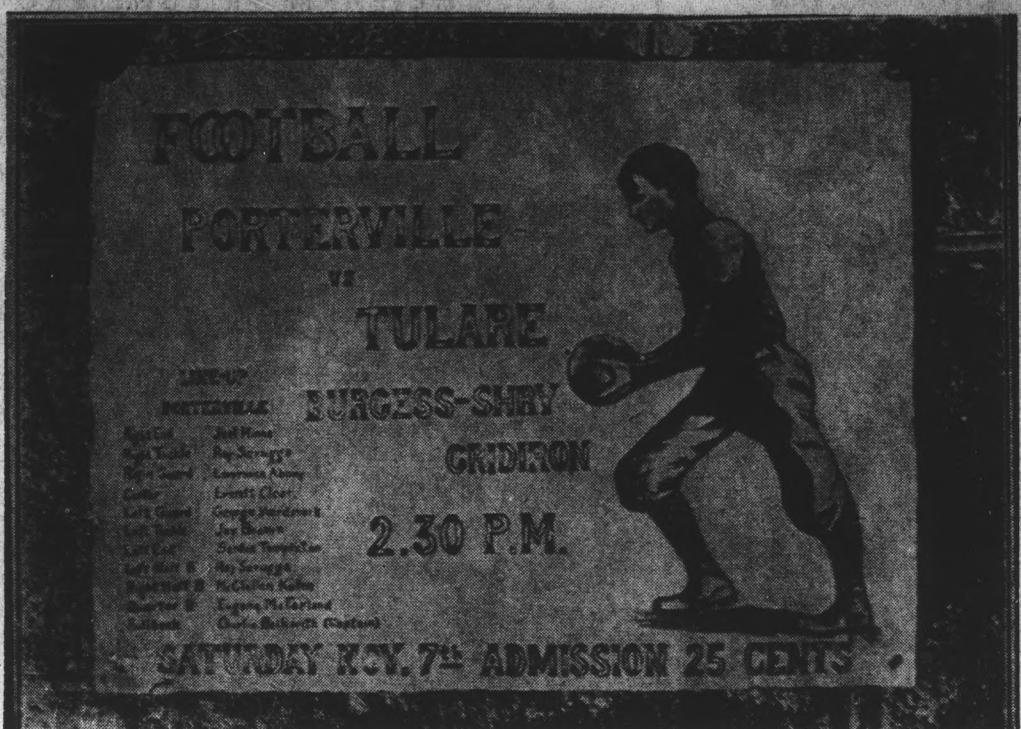


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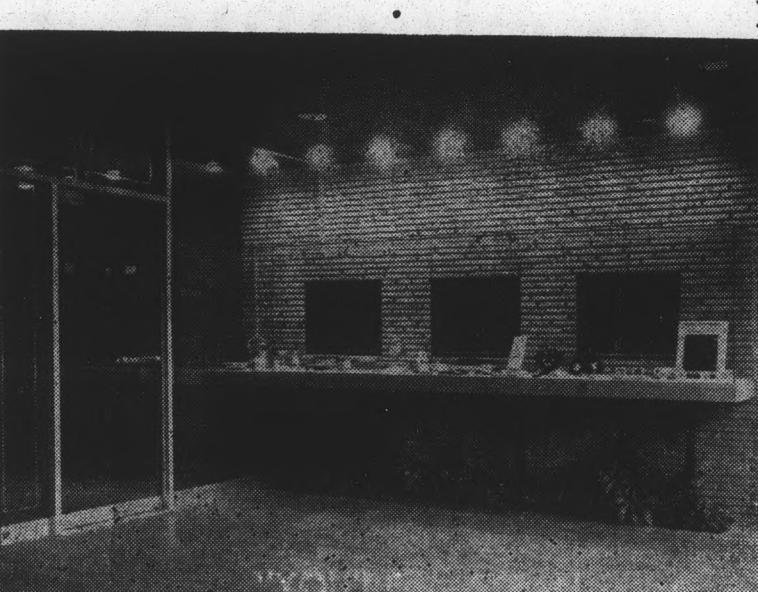
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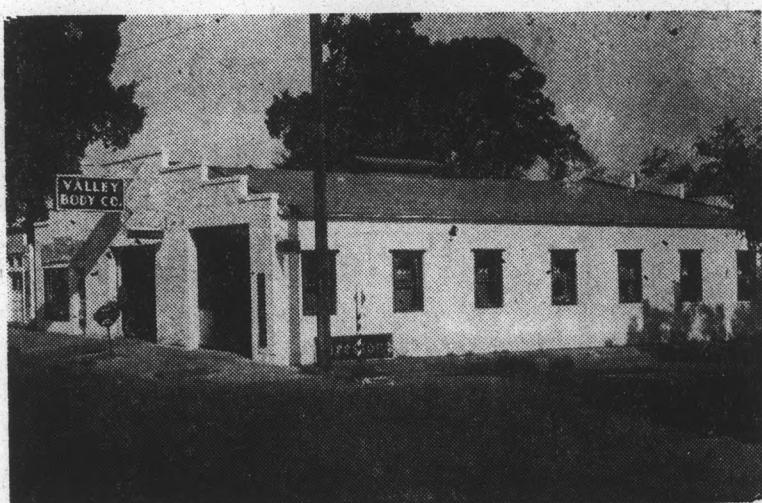


MAIN AND OLIVE intersection, now one of the busiest intersections in Tulare county, looked like the above photo before turn of the century when the Arlington hotel stood on the northeast corner.

John Loyd, one of the early proprietors of the hotel and later Porterville postmaster, is standing next to the buggy, the small child in white is Carl Loyd. Others in the photo are not identified. Lower

photo shows the 1956 view of the same scene, the Hotel Porterville-Pioneer where the old Arlington used to be. (Old photo courtesy Dr. Leonard Carpenter; lower Farm Tribune photo).

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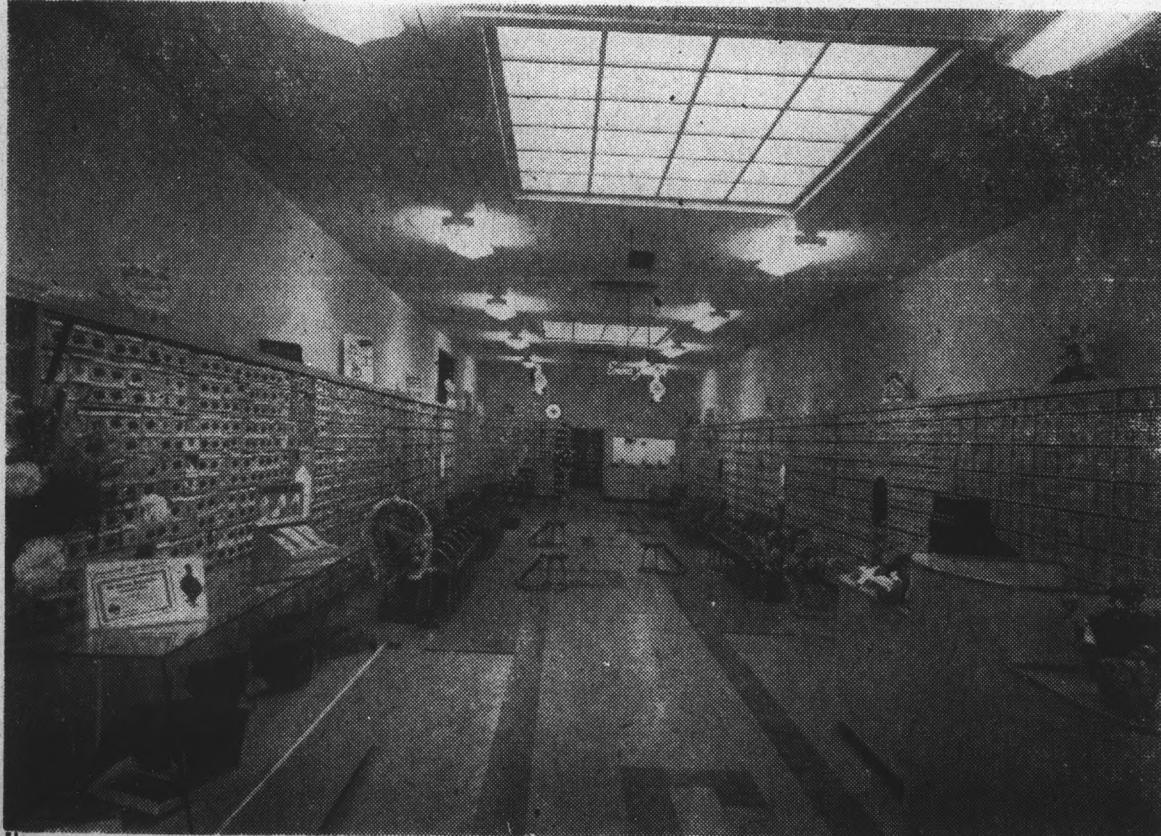
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GRADUATING CLASS of 1908 at Porterville high school, is shown above, with front row, from left: John Newberry, Joe Faure, Erma

Avery, Jewel Miles, Helen Hodges and Sardis Templeton; back, Alva Richardson, Marcus Jones, Leroy

Jones, George Smith, Leroy Davis, Wilko Knupp, Elizabeth Smith, Cynthia Uhl and Mable Tickle. (Photo courtesy of Helen Hodges White)

BAKERSFIELD BALL TEAM HAS BAD DAY BOTH ON THE FIELD AND IN THE PRESS

(From Bakersfield Echo)

BAKERSFIELD, April 12, 1900 — The Bakersfield team returned from Visalia Sunday without undue ostentation.

The Visalians landed on Hall for 21 hits and as Huston could not relieve him, he had to continue the awful exhibition.

The boys say Ballagh "ran bases like a farmer", and Baer, our redoubtable backstop, offered no more resistance to fast balls than a ghost.

Hall handled the ball like a child's rattle. Hysinger did some creditable work, and Thomas played an errorless game (on the bench).

Bustillos made a grandstand catch of a difficult drive, but also made a grandstand muff of another.

The plungers are hanging onto

their baseball stock, but have telegraphed Yuma for a witch doctor from the Indian reservation.

Visalia won the game with 11 runs and 21 hits, to 10 runs and 10 hits for Bakersfield.

ALMA HALL TO RUN FOR REELECTION

POTERVILLE, June 7, 1910 — Judge Alma Hall, who, during the past term has been the justice of the peace of the Tule River Township, has made formal announcement that he again aspires for the office, and will be a candidate to succeed himself.



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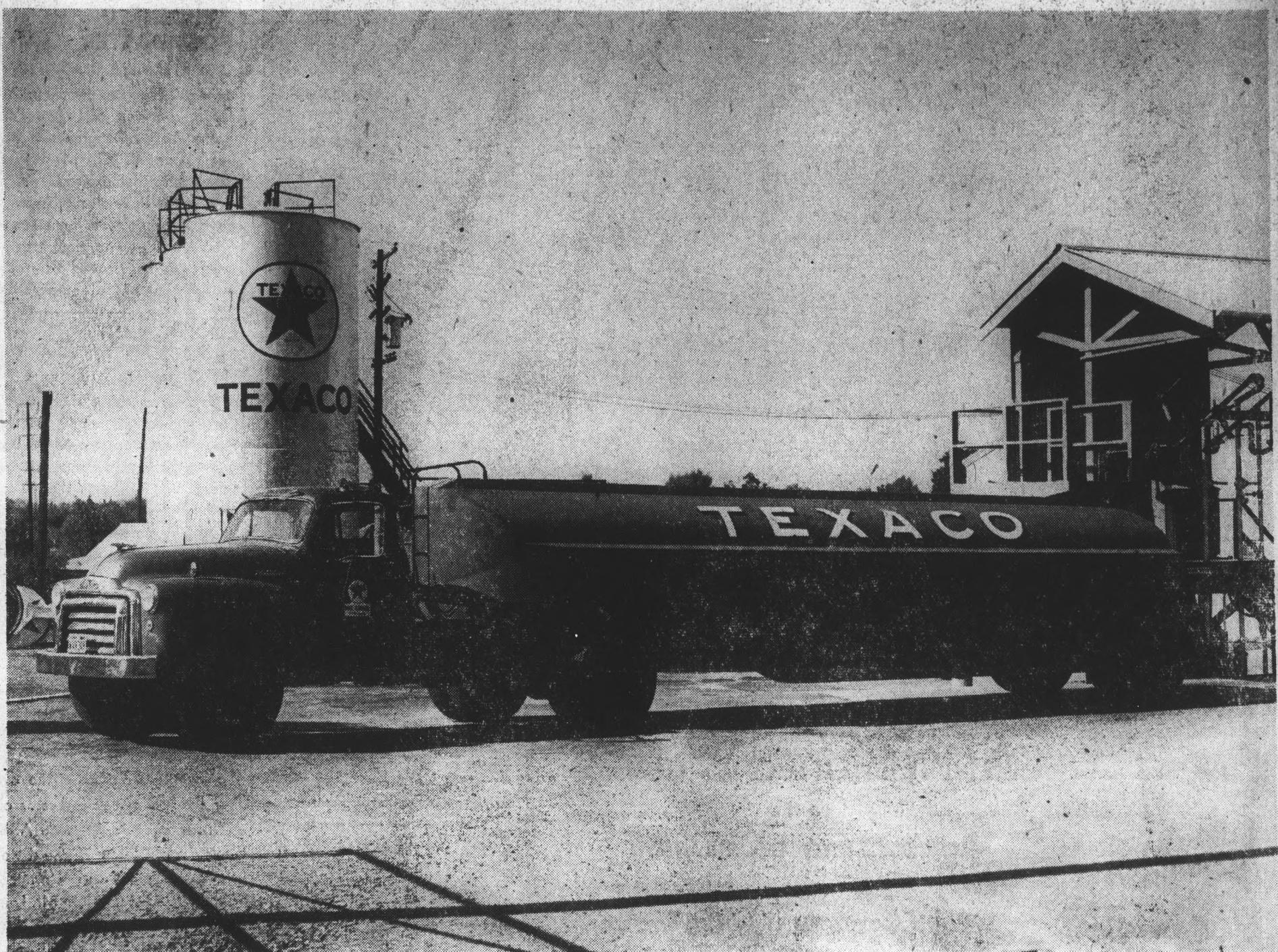
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above photo shows a real old-time parade, probably in the 1880s. The picture, now badly faded, was taken from the Main and Olive in-

tersection, looking north. The large oak tree was standing about where the Cadillac-Pontiac garage is now located; other trees can be seen

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JOHN LOYD APPOINTED POSTMASTER

PORTEVILLE, Jan. 11, 1900 — John W. Loyd has been appointed to the position of postmaster in Porterville by Congressman Needham, vice P. C. Montgomery, whose term has expired.

It is not quite decided who Mr. Loyd will employ as assistant, but Fred Velie will no doubt be the one, as he has proved his efficiency during Mr. Montgomery's term.

ELECTRIC PLANT MAY BE BUILT

VISALIA, Nov. 12, 1891 — A. J. Harrell made a short visit to Los Angeles last week. He says the people down there are investigating the long distance transmission of electricity and that as soon as the experiment is pronounced a success in Germany, they will put in a large plant to supply power for the city of Los Angeles.

SANITARY DISTRICT IS DEFEATED BY BIG MAJORITY; BAND BOYS GIVE SERENADE FOR PUBLISHER A. M. LUMLEY

PORTEVILLE, Jan. 11, 1900 —

There were 488 votes cast at the sanitary district election of which 284 were against and 150 for the district; fourteen votes were thrown out because they were marked with a pencil instead of the stamp provided for the purpose. The majority against the district is 134.

(The sanitary district was proposed so that through it, saloons could be closed in Porterville).

It was a very quiet election, voters apparently having made up their minds on the question at issue before going to the polls, and after casting their ballots, quietly went about their business.

Only one drunk man was seen on the streets during the day, and there was less drinking than usual.

even after the polls closed. Ladies favoring the district gave a free dinner to everyone.

About 9:00 o'clock in the evening, the Porterville band came out and proceeded to serenade A. M. Lumley, proprietor of the Enterprise, who made a determined fight against the district. Mr. Lumley gave the band boys a short speech and a fine reception.

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SENATOR BERRY IMPROVES FARM

LINDSAY, Nov. 12, 1891—Senator Berry is sinking wells and putting in pumps for the purpose of raising water to irrigate a large portion of his ranch near here. He planted 160 acres of raisin grapes last winter and they made a fair growth this year without irrigation, but the coming season the vines will be watered from wells.

Young To Build Blacksmith Shop In Springville

SPRINGVILLE, Feb. 8, 1900—Arthur Young has leased lots on Main street from A. M. Coburn and Mrs. A. Blake and will put up a blacksmith shop. We need one.

Young intends to run Trilby, the steam wagon, again this summer. New wheels, of a wider kind, are being made for it, and Trilby is likely to be a success this season.

The whistle of the steam wagon is always welcome along the Tule, for it sounds like progress, and progress is what we want.

RICH STRIKE AT WHITE RIVER

POTERVILLE, Jan. 26, 1900—It is reported that O. Cramer and Jesse Brown have struck a rich eight-inch ledge in the Lucky John mine three miles northeast of White River.

NEW HOUSE FOR HARRY TALBOT

POTERVILLE, Dec. 27, 1900—Harry Talbot has awarded George U. Murphy the contract to build a house for him on his property north of Murphy's residence on D street. It will be a six-room cottage, plastered, and will cost \$1,500.00.



A GOOD time must have been had by all as the above group put on a show to advertise the show, "The Adventures of Cathlyn", playing at the Wigwam in Porterville about 1913 or 14. Tentatively identified in the above photo are, from left: Bob Higgins, with goat; Clarence Willis, Harry Lambdin, with parasol; John Gerhardt, with bass drum; June Sawtelle, next to man with beard; Fred Graham, with trumpet; Will Leslie, dressed as woman, rear center; A. R. Moore, on the donkey; Eschol Hammond, with bass horn; Walter Godley, with French horn; Roy Tillis, black-

face clown; Ben Dunkely, with Derby hat and clarinet; Russell Holden, with snare drum, and Tom Smith, no end. Do you know any of the others? The Wigwam theater was an open air theater, on Main street, between the Ting and Abbott buildings, just south of Garden street. It was started in the summer of 1913. (Photo courtesy Mrs. Roy Tillis).

VISALIA, Aug. 21, 1900—Jos. Vernon, a former Visalia Negro, has been training in Fresno county for a slugging match with Jim Burns, another boxer.



Left to right — Jim Powell, Don Overstreet, Joe Cobb, owner, Vernon Palmer, Forest Pettit, J. C. Cobb.

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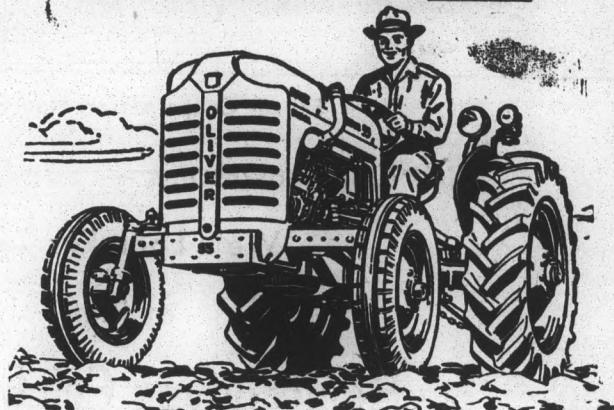
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West Coast Football Teams Show Strength

POTERVILLE, Jan. 5, 1900 —

The New York Sun is of the opinion that eastern football players will have to look to their laurels if they expect to hold the championship against the Pacific coast. The hard game given the Carlisle Indians by Berkeley on Christmas day ought to be sufficient warning to Eastern

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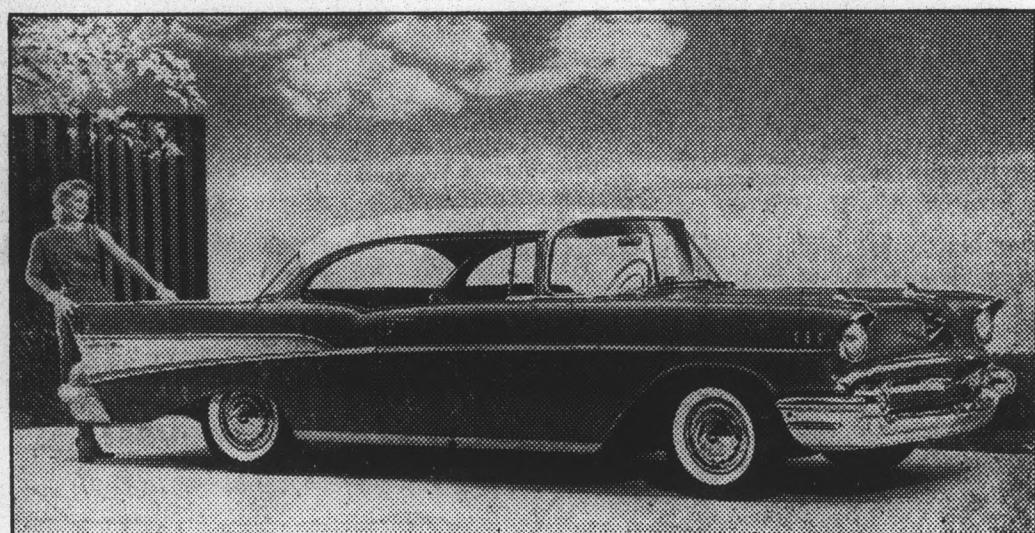
DUANT, April 28, 1899 — A. M. Coburn went to his mill last Saturday to prepare to go to sawing. He expects to run full force this year, as he has sold the season's cut.

DOCTOR MOVES TO KERNVILLE

WHITE RIVER, Mar. 5, 1897 — people that this coast is just as Dr. G. T. Van Vorhees has moved likely to succeed in getting to Kernville, where he will together a winning football team as we are to produce champion pugilists.



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MAJOR INDUSTRIAL development in the Porterville community is the new Rockwell Manufacturing company plant that is now under construction north of town; above photo shows steel framework for the million dollar plant that will serve as west coast distribution center for Delta Power tools, and as a repair and assembly plant for

various types of meters. Location is between new 65 freeway and the Southern Pacific railroad; in the background is Republican hill, north of Porterville. Pioneers returning for the November 12 homecoming should drive down the new freeway and take a look at this Rockwell development.

(Farm Tribune photo)

Board Of Trade Is Organized With Williams, Knupp And Brey To Draw Up By-Laws For Members

POTERVILLE, Feb. 1, 1900 — a board of trade was organized last night and it started off with a good membership. The crowd gathered in the large office back of the bank in the Pioneer hotel building and A. Leslie was elected chairman and Gerald Lumley secretary.

Ben M. Maddox, of Visalia, talked on the importance of organized effort to attract people to the community and explained that Porterville should be in close touch with the San Joaquin Valley Commercial association.

Those who agreed to be members are: R. Bradley, for the Pioneer bank; J. H. Williams, H. E. Ford, James Howell, H. G. Brey, S. J. R. Gilbert, Eugene L. Scott, M. C. Boatman & Sons, H. A. Frame, A. M. Quinn, J. W. Davis, L. M. Owen.

J. N. Larson, J. F. Boller, A. G. Schulz, A. Leslie, A. M. Lumley, E. W. Beebe, G. R. Lumley, J. H. Hatcher, V. D. Knupp, H. C. Talbot, J. H. James and P. C. Montgomery.

The chairman appointed J. H. Williams, V. D. Knupp and H. F. Brey a committee to prepare

articles of incorporation and suitable by-laws. They will report next Saturday at 7:30 o'clock at the same place, when permanent officers will be elected.

HOBART WEBSTER MAY RETURN

POTERVILLE, Jan. 11, 1900 — Hobart Webster, now proprietor of a business college in New Jersey, continues to sigh for a trip back into the Sierras to Whitney creek and talks of returning to buy a home.

WILL LOYD BACK FROM MANILLA

POTERVILLE, Dec. 27, 1900 — Will Loyd was on the streets, Monday, having returned from Manilla, where he had been with his regiment. He has been in San Francisco for the last two months awaiting his discharge papers.

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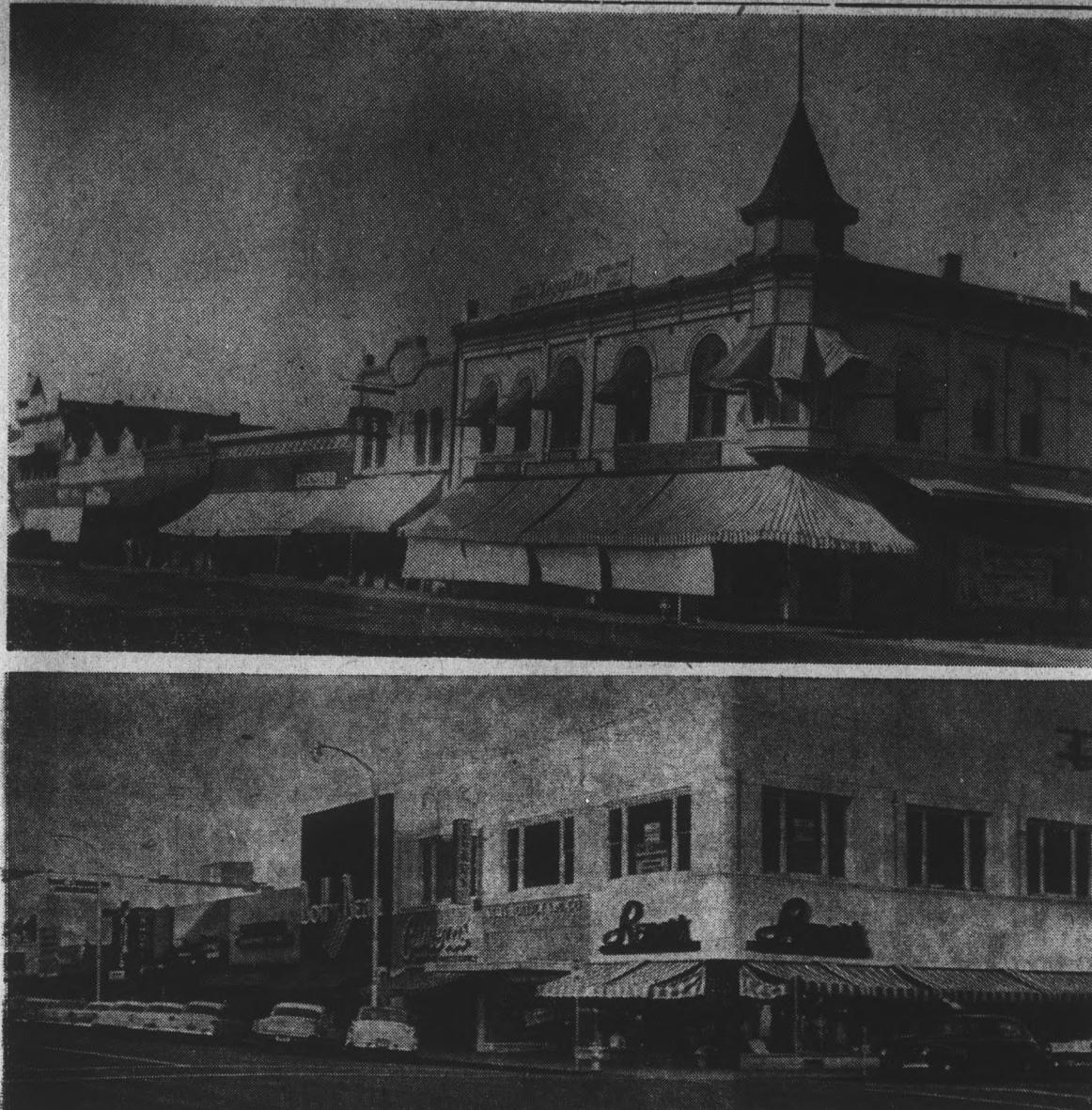
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PORTRER PUTNAM was the first man to put a building at the intersection of Oak and Main, where the N. H. Leggett store is shown, above, in 1908. On down the

street is the Rochdale, and other store building still on the corner, early stores. Lower photo shows the same view as it is in November of 1956, the old Leggett

but in modern form. (Old photo, courtesy Helen White; lower, Farm Tribune photo).

CAPT. HUTCHINSON MAKING IMPROVEMENT ON HIS RANCH AMID LINDSAY WHEAT FIELDS

LINDSAY, Nov. 12, 1891.—Captain A. J. Hutchinson is making extensive improvements on his place here, and the visitor who has travelled in southern California and noted the handsome residences and wealth of flowers and shrubbery with which the grounds are adorned in that progressive section is astonished to find a reproduction of those things amid the wheat fields of Lindsay.

Eighteen months ago the place where Captain Hutchinson lives was a wheat field and in that short space of time it has been converted into a veritable garden spot.

Oranges, lemons, olives, grapes and almost everything that grows in this eternal summerland are making a remarkable growth.

The Captain has 30,000 orange trees raised from seed, which he intends to plant, and those put out by him last year prove that they will do well.

The irrigation question is to be solved by using a six-horse power gasoline engine, which was ordered this week through C. S. Richardson, of Visalia, with which 15,000 gallons of water will be pumped each hour.

Intelligent work like that of Captain Hutchinson's will yet convince the world that Tulare county is the

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FOUNTAIN SPRINGS, March 5, 1897.—The trustees of our school have been replenishing our library with books from popular authors, a fine up-to-date Webster's unabridged dictionary being among the number. The purchase was made through your popular news-dealer, J. H. James.

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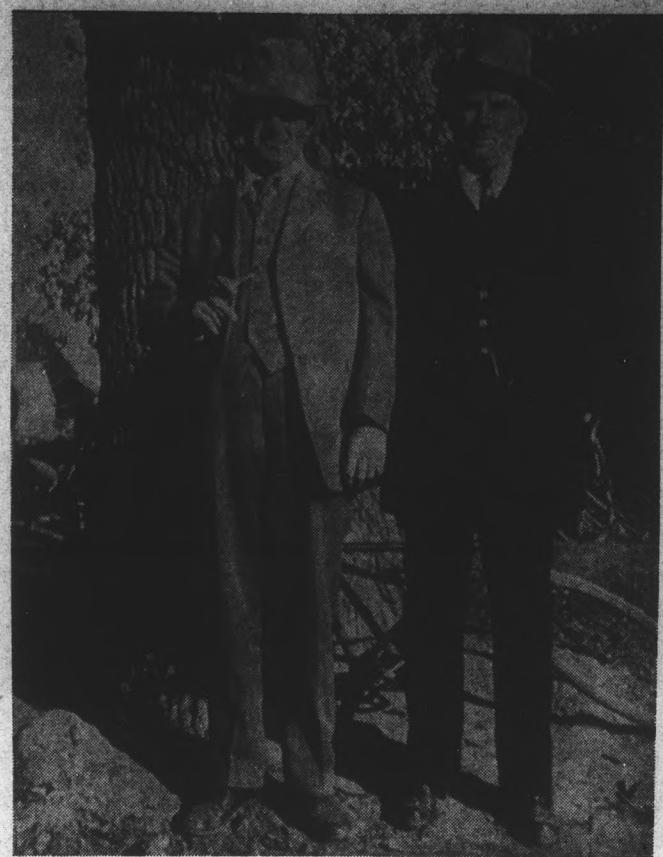
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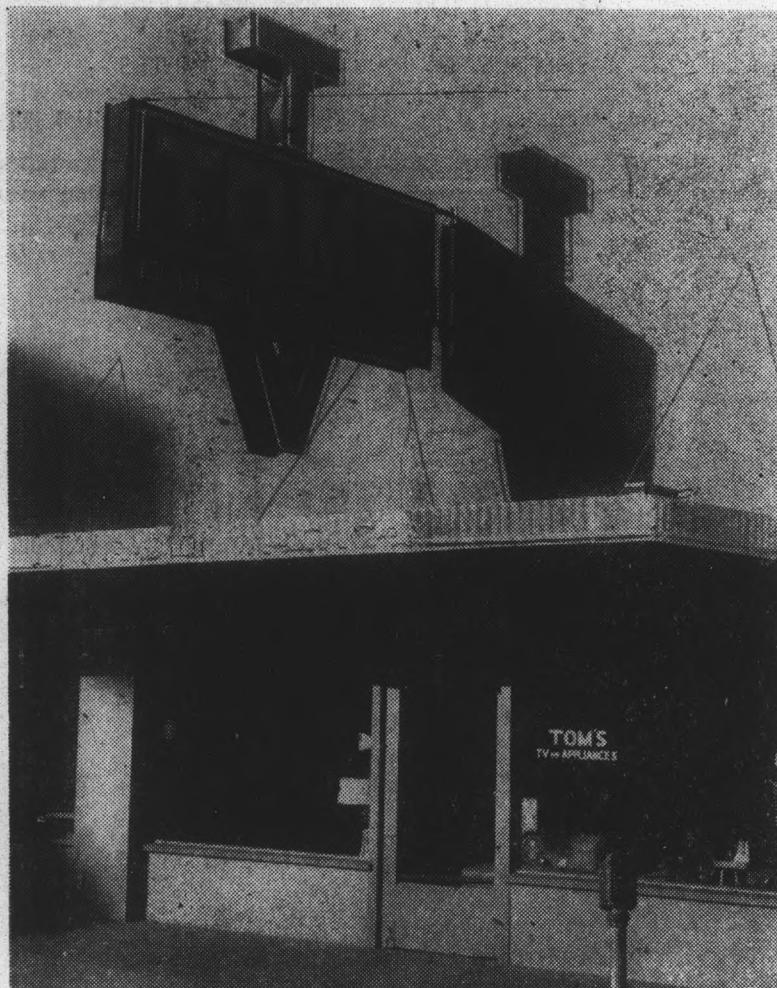
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YOU SHOULD remember these two men — Bill Maston, left, and Ed. Isham, two of Porterville's early — and later — day law officers. Mr. Maston still resides in Porterville and will no doubt be present to meet old friends at the Pioneer Reunion at the Porterville high school cafeteria, starting at noon, November 12. (Photo courtesy of Bill Maston).

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LINDSAY GROUP FORMS OIL COMPANY

LINDSAY, Mar. 29, 1900 — The Orange Center Oil company has been organized for the purpose of developing oil lands, and for other business appertaining to the oil industry, with the principal place of business at Lindsay.

Capital stock of the corporation is \$200,000, divided into 40,000 shares with a par value of \$5.00. the amount of stock actually subscribed is \$120,000.

The following named gentlemen have stock in the corporation: G. S. Berry, L. S. Wingrove, S. A. Allen, H. Spens-Black, C. L. Kirkman, R. E. W. Besant, J. P. Pryor, S. A. Bags, J. Taylor, W. T. Job, B. Martin, W. M. DeWitt, J. Lester, W. Morrow, John M. Morrow, C. H. Claubes, M. W. Grace, Henderson & McGregor, R. L. Berry, F. Hamilton, C. Orton, and E. McLees.

Spectacular Drama Nets Only \$5.25 Box Office

WHITE RIVER, May 17, 1900 — Last Monday there came from high up on the Tule river a brand new theatrical troupe of ten stars, six beautiful young ladies and four males, all talented.

But the elements were dead against them. Their box office receipts were five dollars and a quarter to witness the grand spectacular drama of "Pumpkin Ridge".

Luckily, they brought their own, or someone else's conveyance and grub along, and did not have to strike the adobe afoot on their return.

PRICE OF HORSES WILL IMPROVE

PORTEVILLE, Sept. 9, 1897 — Although the price of horses is low at the present time, it is the opinion of ranchers that in another year, good horses will bring big prices. The reason assigned for the expected increase is that few horses are being raised and many are being shipped out of the state.